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By Order of the Stewards,
A. W. OLSEN, *Secretary,*
SHANGHAI RACE CLUB.

Shanghai, January 29, 1940.

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SHANGHAI RACE CLUB

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Guests Room, Grand Stand, at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, February 5, 1940.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. W. OLSEN, *Secretary,*
SHANGHAI RACE CLUB.

Shanghai, January 29, 1940.

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HUNGJAO GOLF CLUB

Starting-times—Chinese New Year Holidays

Applications for Starting-times for ALL days of the Holidays must reach the Secretary by 9 a.m. on Monday, February 5, 1940.

When Members who do not require the Starting-times allotted to them fail to notify the Secretary to this effect—or the 'Gear Boy', on the day—their applications for Starting-times the following week-end will be ignored.

By Order of the Committee,
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IN THE MATTER OF
THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE 1932 (HONGKONG)
THE CHINA ORDER-IN-COUNCIL 1925
AND IN THE MATTER OF
THE SHANGHAI DOCK & ENGINEERING CO., LTD.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)

MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY WINDING-UP

At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the said Company duly convened and held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 27 The Bund, Shanghai, on January 29, 1940, the following Resolution was duly passed in manner required for passing a Special Resolution:—

(a) THAT the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Company, Limited, be wound up voluntarily AND THAT FREDERICK NEWMAN MATTHEWS, F.C.A. and ERNEST FROST HARDMAN, C.A. both of 2 Peking Road, Shanghai, be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators jointly and each of them severally for the purposes of such winding-up AND THAT the remuneration of the said Liquidators be fixed at an initial fee of Dollars Fifteen Thousand and such further fee as may be decided upon by the Committee of Inspection.

(b) THAT the Liquidators may divide among the contributories in specie or kind any part of the assets of the Company or may vest any part of the assets of the Company in Trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories or any of them as the Liquidators shall think fit.

(c) THAT FREDERICK ARTHUR POLLOCK of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., ARCHIBALD HEDLEY MATTHEWS of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and HERBERT CASTLE BARTON WAY of the Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ltd. be and they are hereby appointed to act as a Committee of Inspection in such winding-up.

F. A. POLLOCK,
Chairman of the Meeting.

Witness: D. R. GLASS.
January 29, 1940.

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IN THE MATTER OF
THE SHANGHAI DOCK & ENGINEERING CO., LTD.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
AND IN THE MATTER OF
THE HONGKONG COMPANIES ORDINANCE
No. 39 of 1932

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound-up, are required, on or before the Fifteenth day of February, 1940, being the date for that purpose fixed by the undersigned the Liquidators of the said Company, to send their names and addresses, and particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to the undersigned, and, if so required by notice in writing from the undersigned, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

F. N. MATTHEWS, F.C.A.,
E. F. HARDMAN, C.A.,
Liquidators,
c/o Lowe, Bingham & Matthews,
2 Peking Road, Shanghai.

January 29, 1940.

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THE SHANGHAI DOCK & ENGINEERING CO., LTD.
(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong)

(In Voluntary Liquidation)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be opened at the offices of the Liquidators (c/o Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, 2 Peking Road, Shanghai) on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 1, 2 and 3, 1940.

F. N. MATTHEWS, F.C.A.,
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Shanghai, January 29, 1940.

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C. D. LONGHURST,
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31 B.U.S.C. Lecture: 'Light,' Mr. Harold G. B. Perry, 114 Peking Road, 5.30
31 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
31 Princess Beatrice of the Netherlands birthday (1938)
31 Whangpoo frozen at Woosung (1886)
31 Sir Francis Aglen dismissed by Chinese Government (1927)

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1 S.W.A. meeting, C.S.F., 4
1 For. Y. Debate: 'Changing Human Nature'
1 Ballet Russe gala performance of 'Tsar Maiden,' fantastic ballet, Lyc., 9
1 Fancy Ball, Russian Club, 10
2 Shanghai Camera Club, Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
2 Grand Soirée, aid St. Tichon's, Arcadia, 9.30
3 Ballet Russe, 'Tsar Maiden,' Lyc., 9
4 Ballet Russe, 'Tsar Maiden,' Lyc., 2 & 9
4 Municipal Orchestra Concert, Lyc., 5.15
5 S.A.C.S. Indira Devi 'Yogi,' 7 Petain
5 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
6 A.W.C. 'Using Native Food', 11 a.m.
7 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
10 S.R.U.F.C. Interport Dance, Country C.
11 'For The Sins of the Fathers,' Jewish A.D.C., Lyceum, 9
13 For. Y. Lecture: 'Mental Hygiene' by Dr. F. G. Halpern
13 A.W.C. Musical Programme, 4.45
14 Indian Merchants Association, Annual Meeting, 391 Kiangse Road, 5
15 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
15 'Tales of Hoffmann', Grand Opera by J. Offenbach, gala production, Lyc., 8.45
15 Pinette-Quartette A.W.C., 9
17 'Tales of Hoffmann,' Lyceum, 8.45
18 'Tales of Hoffmann,' Lyceum, 8.45
20 A.W.C. Book Review, 4.45
20 For. Y. Lecture: 'The Whangpoo—Shanghai's River,' by Mr. N. Maas
20 A.D.C. 'Lilac Time,' Lyceum, 9
21 A.D.C. 'Lilac Time,' Lyceum, 9
22 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
22 A.D.C. 'Lilac Time', Lyceum, 9
23 A.D.C. 'Lilac Time, Lyceum, 9
24 A.D.C. 'Lilac Time,' Lyc., 2.30
24 A.D.C. 'Lilac Time,' Lyceum, 9
27 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
27 For. Y. Lecture: 'Education,' by Dr. R. J. McMullen
27 A.W.C. Concert, Mrs. Seidl-Margolinski, Mr. Warschauer, 9
27 Piano recital by Miss Wincia Tomaszewska, Polish pianist, Lyceum, 9.15
29 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
28 Ranger Leap Year Din. Dance, A.W.C., 8
29 Community Church Organ Concert, 9

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Correspondence for this column should be addressed to the Editor, North-China Daily News Office, 17 The Bund, Shanghai, and to ensure secrecy, marked "Letters to the Editor"

Charity Appeals:
Co-ordination in Existence

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall be obliged if you will kindly allow me to reply to your correspondent FREQUENT DONOR. The Committee of the Associated Foreign Charities of Shanghai, with offices at the Church House, 243 Kiangse Road, is at all times willing to receive donations and to allocate funds as directed or according to the need of Charities known to them. The Committee comprises representatives from all charities in Shanghai engaged in the relief of the foreign indigent and is the central organization your correspondent is looking for. During the last two years the Committee has received and distributed the sum of $250,000 (approx.) and welcome donations, no matter how small, from persons or institutions, firms etc. who experience difficulty in deciding their allocations to charity. The Committee exists to serve FREQUENT DONOR and I trust we shall hear from him.

A. PULLEN.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Rickshaw Rentals:
An Editorial Approved

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your leader entitled "Rickshaw Rentals" is most opportune and serves as a direct rebuttal to the rickshaw owner.

It is impossible for the better-privileged classes, whose incomes are of a different order of magnitude, to imagine to what degree of poverty the rickshaw coolie at present is subjected—which will be further aggravated by an increase in rickshaw rental.

The owner, motivated by the desire to accumulate profit, totally disregards humanitarian welfare and accentuates the miseries of the puller by the imposition of further increased costs.

It is surprising to what extent capitalism is permitted to loose its mighty power upon people who are earning a bare subsistence livelihood, in order that rent, interest and profit may be gained.

RANK AND FILE.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

The Rickshaw Mission:
Sad Plight of Coolies

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Will you kindly forward the enclosed cheque for $10 to the Rickshaw Mission. The plight of the rickshaw pullers working in this district is appalling—many are barefoot and so few patronize them, as the vehicles are in a filthy condition and rickety in the extreme.

Surely something could be done for these poor souls, who, truly, form the "forgotten legion."

MARIE WOOD.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

The Victoria Cross:
What Regiment Won Most?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—One thing leads to another, even bets upon the Victoria Cross.

Could one trespass again to enquire which line or infantry regiment was awarded the greatest number of V.C's during the 1914-18 War? The wager stands that it was the Lancashire Fusiliers. Can anybody prove or disprove this statement?

GAMMA.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Reference Books Differ

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Referring to MR. BARLING's query as to the number of V.C.s awarded during the Great War, "Pear's Annual" gives the figure as 570. "1914-1918" in his letter in today's "North-China Daily News" quotes "Everybody's Weekly" as stating that 633 were awarded, and therefore it appears that the compilers of reference books are, like the parties to the bet, unable to agree.

R.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

For Shavers:
A Japanese Sharpener

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Let not despair grip your correspondent G-MAN who complains of the absence of razor blade sharpening institutions in this city of Shanghai. If he rubs the blade gently in a circular movement around the inside of an ordinary glass tumbler he will find the effect equal if not better than that of many so-called sharpeners. Alternatively, some Japanese shops in Hongkew once purveyed arrow shaped glass sharpeners which were cheap and very serviceable.

BABOOSHKA.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

Mistake Corrected

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It may be my bad writing, my mistake or the mistake of one of your staff.

But in writing you yesterday I said, or meant to say or thought I said that I could use a blade for one month. This appeared in today's paper as nine months. This is a record which perhaps an Aberdonian might aspire to, but which I cannot yet achieve.

OLD SHAVER.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Why Not Electric Shavers?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—If G-Man is right in saying that shaving costs 25 cents per scrape then I have done well in buying an electric shaver. Shaving with an electric shaver is anything but an ordeal, in fact it's a pleasure, particularly in this cold weather. Each time I think of lather, cuts and after-shaving soreness I mentally thank the friend who advised me to get a Schick, and that's my advice to G-Man and to every other man.

SCHICK MAN.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

The Jewish Choir:
Two Funds Suggested

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Having heard about the Jewish Choir which is holding services every Friday at the Beth Aharon Synagogue, we ventured there a few times and could not believe our ears. The singing certainly was beautiful and inspiring and for this we have to be grateful to the management of the Beth Aharon for the initiative taken and opportunity offered. From what we were given to understand, the above Synagogue has spent on the German-Jewish refugees such a huge sum during the past year that the heating of the House of Aharon is now a problem. Furthermore, we do not know whether the choir is receiving any pay for its fine singing. May we suggest that a heating fund and perhaps a choir fund, too, be started by the powers that be, with a view to keeping these services continued and uninterrupted? We enclose herewith $20—which kindly forward to the Synagogue management, comprised of $10 towards the "heating fund" and $10 towards the "choir fund."

TWO FRIENDS.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Holding the Bag:
Chinese and Charity

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to ALPHA's letter which appeared in your paper yesterday, I wish to say a few words. While appreciating greatly the spirit and kind-heartedness of the foreign community of this cosmopolitan city and the wonderful work of Brigadier Morris of the Salvation Army, I want your correspondent to know that it is not due to lack of interest or consideration on the part of our Chinese not sending funds to the "Hot Rice Van Fund" but due to the hardships of the Chinese population. Due to the hostilities and the existing conditions, the working-class Chinese as well as those who have medium means of support, are finding it very hard to make ends meet. With present high cost of living (3-5 times higher than normal times), many Chinese do not know where to turn. Our dollars have so little value and they do not go very far.

Our foreign friends who receive foreign currency salary and some receive high cost of living allowance do not feel the pinch so much as we Chinese do.

Furthermore, I hope Brigadier Morris is giving the publicity in the Chinese papers of the remarkable work he is doing, like he does in the foreign dailies, if he has not yet done so, maybe he will receive better response from the well-to-do Chinese.

JUST A WORKING CHINESE GIRL.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

White Flower Soc.:
Annual Statement of Accounts

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall be greatly obliged if you will give space to the publishing of our accounts for the Year of 1939.

French Municipal Council & Caisee des Oeuvres	$ 4.300.00
Shanghai Municipal Council	1.000.00
Associated Foreign Charities of Shanghai	3.450.00
Sale of Marguerites, May 1939	2,567.61
Shanghai Race Club	800.00
Divers collections & donation	523.70
Members' fees	299.00
Mahjongg Tea	102.12
Xmas & Easter lotteries	119.20
Ministering Children's League	100.00
The Emigrant Committee	100.00
S'hai Football Association	150.00
Bought 54 U.S. Dollars	700.00
Loans returned	55.00
Banks interest c.a.	27.27
	$14,293.90
Bal. in Bank Jan. 1, 39.	1.822.57
Cash in hand Jan. 1, 39.	102.23
	$16.218.70
Payments:	
Upkeep of Convalescent Home	$ 9.027.39
Passages (9 persons)	359.00
Milk for outdoor patients	444.41
Monetary help	140.00
Sundry expenses	241.53
Medicaments	37.65
Presents for Xmas and Easter to T. B. patients	93.03
Loans	5.00
Purchase of U.S. Dollars for the sum of	3.250.00
	$13.598.01
In Bank on Jan. 1, 1940	2.620.69
	$16.218.70
In Bank Jan. 1, 1940	U.S.$181.81.

19.514 Meals were served during the year.

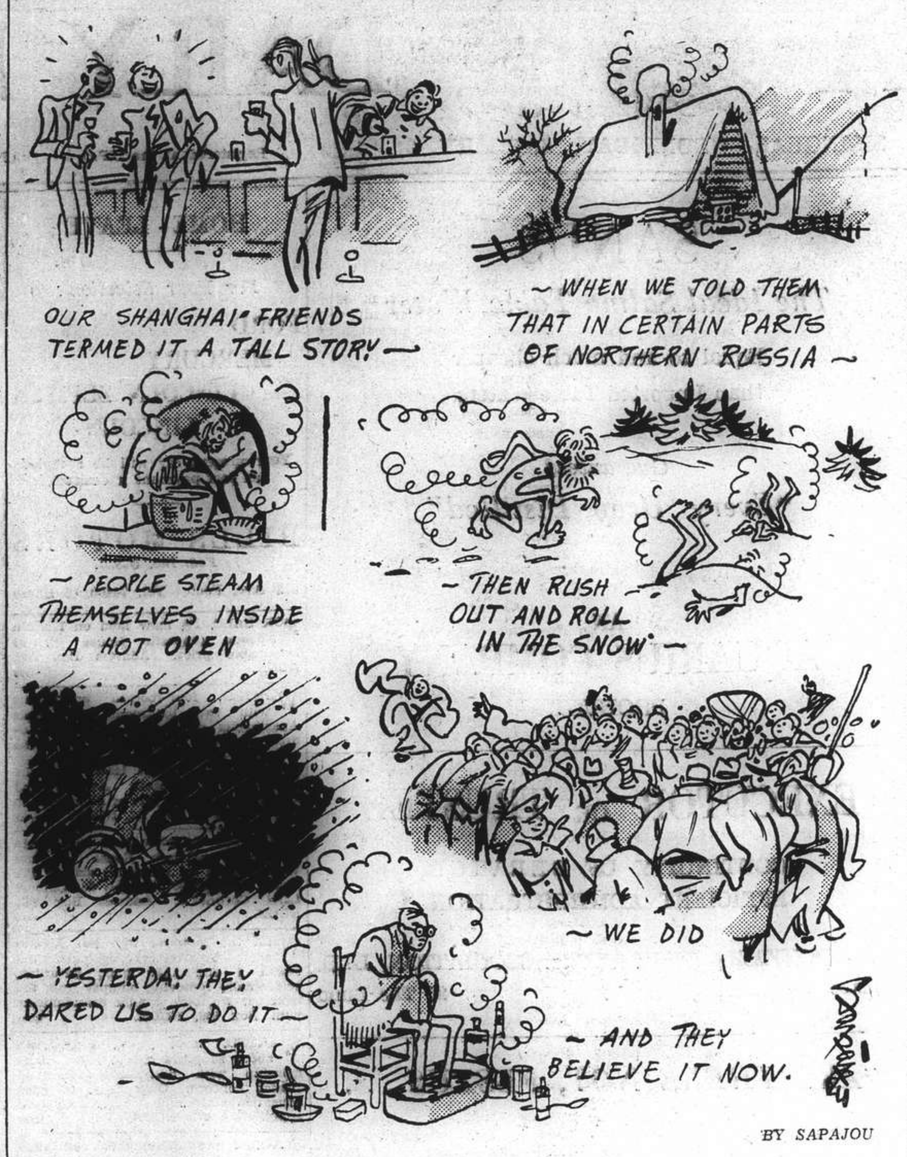
The account has been signed and approved by the revision Committee.

The Committee takes the opportunity to tender their sincere thanks to the following persons, who have so kindly donated parcels of clothes, food and money to the Fund during the past year: Mesdames and Messieurs: F. MacGregor; S. Oks; M. Jansen, V. Campbell; E. Busch; Hill; I. Bright; J. Holper; N. Dunlop; A. Archangelsky; W. Tokmakoff; S. Ossipoff; Fon-der-Rope; Sokoloff-Meyers; Ezra; Group of Russian Ladies; S. R. Wilson; and Wellwisher.

Thanks to the following Organizations for their monetary help: French Municipal Council and Caisse des Oeuvres; Shanghai Municipal Council; Associated Foreign Charities of Shanghai; Ministering Children's League; Rotary Club; Henningson Produce Co.; Hongay Sales Co.; Sh. Football Association; Kailan Mining Administration; Lang & Semen; Di-Di Cafe; King's Daughters Society; The Emigrant Committee. The Press we thank heartily for their response to all advertisements and notes of the Society.

(MRS.) O. FUMAGALLI.
For the Committee.

Shanghai, Jan. 29.



The Russian Style

The Russian School:
Annual Statement of Account

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—I shall be very grateful if you will kindly publish the following in your esteemed paper:—

School for Russian Children
(Commercial School of the R.O.C.)
Statement of accounts for 1939

Receipts:—	
Balance on Dec. 31, 1938 brought forward	$ 799.53
French Municipal Council	3,000.00
Ditto—Refund of taxes	1,322.05
Shanghai Race Club	1,800.00
Rus. Orth. Confraternity	708.00
Ladies' School Committee	2,655.80
Associated Foreign Charities of Shanghai	2,850.00
Russ. Emig. Committee	1,008.00
Russian Relief Association	300.00
Ministering Children's League	500.00
S'hai Football Association	362.30
School friends—don. & subs.	2,266.01
Tuition and board fees	11,957.60
Œuvres Francaises d'Assistance aux familles Russes for pupils of Ecole Remi	1,716.00
Sundry collection	99.09
	$31,244.38
Disbursements:—	
Furnishing and clothes	$ 1,159.72
Heat, light, water & Tel.	3,042.16
Wages and salaries	10,724.51
Food	11,983.92
Outstanding food bills paid	75.00
Books & stationery	626.45
Annual redecoration bldg	708.00
Small repairs bldg. & fittings	456.21
Insurance premium for 1939	105.00
Nominal rent of land	5.00
Municipal taxes	1,322.05
Sundry, expenses	168.03
Ladies' School Com. expend	247.17
Increase deposit, electricity	32.17
Balance in hand on 31/12/39 with Hon Treasurer	288.75
Balance in hand on 31/12/39 with Ladies' School Committee	318.24
	$31,244.38

Balance on Dec. 31, 1939.	
Outstanding food bills	$615.19
Cash in hand	606.99
Deficit	8.20

The Board of Trustees and the Board of Management take the opportunity to exend their sincere thanks to the French Municipal Council and to all Institutions, Organizations and Individuals by whose generous support it was possible to provide free or at a very resonable fee the board and/or education to the following number of pupils:—

	Paying	Free	Total
a. Boarders	53	38	91
b. Day-pupils	50	28	78
Total	103	66	169

The cost of food was approximately $12.30 per month of December per pupil. Regular subscriptions and occasional donations, included in the statement, have been received during 1939 from the following School friends:—

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H. H. SWITCHEVSKY,
Hon. Treasurer.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Japan Friendly to White Russians
Assurances Given by Military Leaders

Tientsin, Jan. 28.

The minds of the White Russian population of Manchoukuo and North China were set at rest by Lieut.-Gen. Iimura, Chief of Staff of the Kwantung Army, who issued a statement to the Russian Emigrants' Bureau in Harbin emphatically denying the rumours that the Japanese Army might change their favourable attitude towards the White Russians and their anti-Communist activities, in view of the present negotiations aiming at the improvement of Soviet-Japanese relations.

"The principles which have been laid as the basis for the guidance of White Russians are unalterable. Considering the present situation I have much confidence in you and ask you not to trust the rumours which are now being spread among the populations. Have confidence in the Japanese Army and with this belief, go ahead with the campaign against the Comintern," the General declared, according to the Manchoukuo press.

A similar assurance was given the White Russian organizations in Harbin by Gen. H. Hata, Chief of the Japanese Military Mission there, in the course of a dinner at which he was host to a number of White-Russian leaders. He emphatically refuted as absolutely baseless the recent rumour that the attitude of the Japanese Army towards the White Russians would be changed soon. While the Army exists, its policy towards the Russian emigrants will not be altered, he affirmed.

White Russian leaders, in reply, emphasized the anti-Communist work conducted by them.—Havas.

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Japanese-Soviet Border Committee Fails

Moscow, Jan. 29.

Although some results were attained the mixed Japanese-Soviet border delimitation committee sitting at Harbin to date has failed to reach a final agreement, it was learned today. It is not known if the parleys will continue.—Havas.

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Japanese Rice-Wine Safe for Goldfish
Adulteration of Sake Becomes Wry Jest

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

The new joke making the rounds in Japan today deals with the quality of Japanese sake which, it is said, is watered so much by producers, retailers and restaurants in turn, that even goldfish can safely live in the rice-wine!

The metropolitan police now are taking severe action against adulterators of sake and strict control soon will be exercised over the manufacture and sale of this national beverage. Since the Government announced on December 1, 1939, that the amount of sake to be brewed in 1940 should be reduced by 48 per cent., a decline in quality developed which threatens the very health of drinkers.

Not only is sake "baptised and liberally baptised," with water, but, "to prevent it from going bad," it is mixed with inferior medicinals.

The national spiritual mobilization movement will also have its say in the sale of sake this year and the Education Ministry, in accordance with the tenets of this movement, is said to be planning a ban on the sale of the beverage to be placed by universities and colleges.

Beer, too, comes within the restrictions of alcoholic consumption in Japan, for although the brewing of beer for export is to be encouraged, the average Japanese beer-drinker will have to consume 20 per cent. less by Government decree. Actual consumption will be cut in fact by 30 per cent. and not 20 per cent, for exports to yen-bloc countries and the semi-compulsory supply to the Army and Navy must be taken into consideration.—Havas.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF JANUARY 31, 1870

We are told that the French Municipal Council have posted notices forbidding the shortage of gunpowder, nitre or sulphur within their limits, and limiting the quantity of kerosene to six tins. Another proclamation gives notice to the wheelbarrow men that, from the first day of the New Year, squeaking wheelbarrows will not be allowed in the settlement, all will be seized and fined 50 cash each. The proclamation says, the cause of this squeaking is that the bore of the wheelbarrow is not round, and orders all the barrow-men to alter their barrows after the fashion of those owned by a hong near the Mixed Court.

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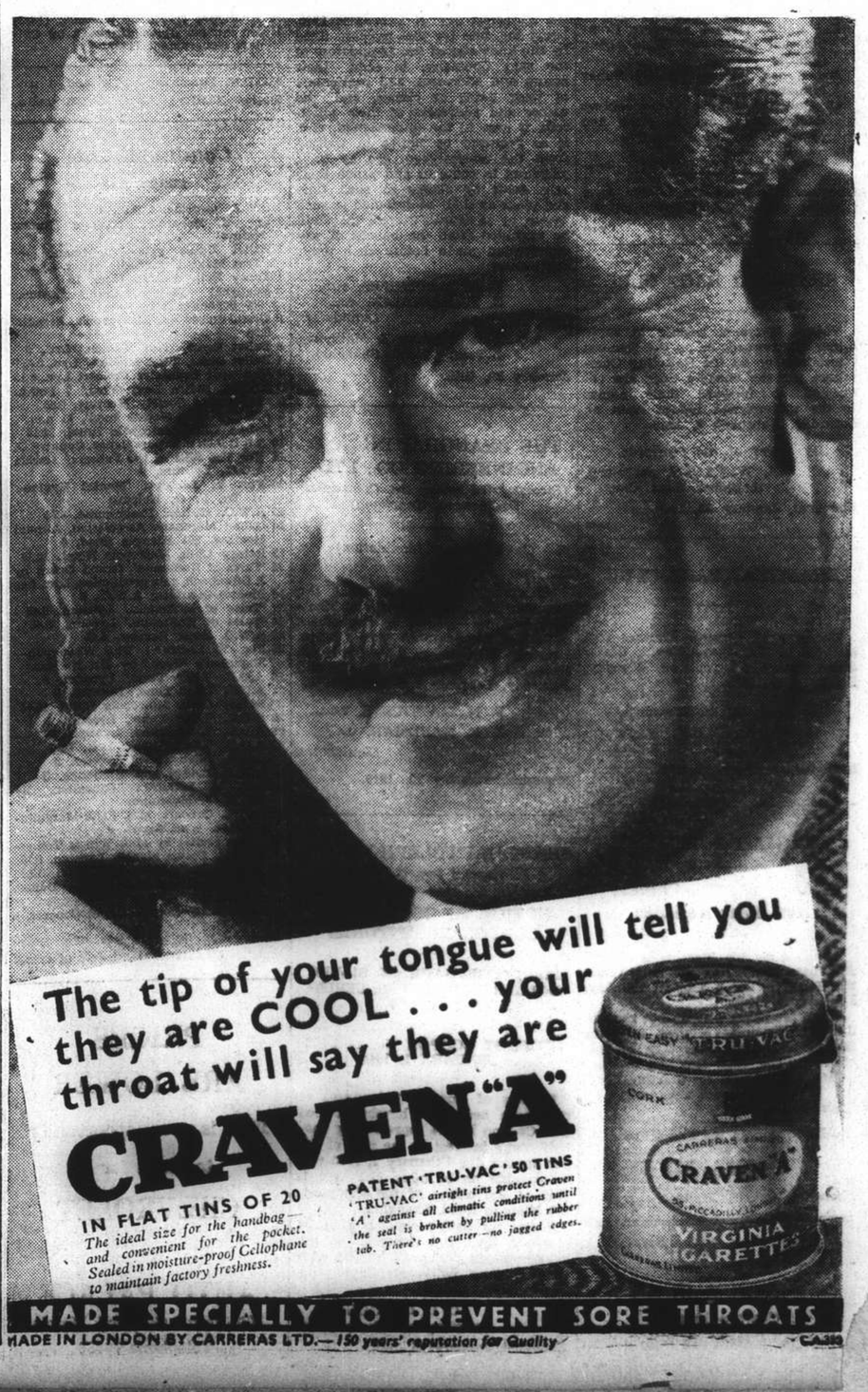

Australian Letter

Australia's War Programme

Not a Benevolent Neutral; Second A.I.F. to Go Abroad; Air Training Scheme

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, Dec. 21.

For many weeks German radio propagandists have been asserting that Australia's role in the war would be that of a "benevolent neutral," and that the Dominion's declaration of unity with Britain was purchased by Britain's decision to acquire the whole of Australia's surplus raw materials. These Nazi sneers have been effectively answered by two important and significant developments during the session of the Commonwealth Parliament now drawing to a close.

The most convincing of these was the announcement by the Prime Minister, Mr. Menzies, that an Australian Expeditionary Force would go abroad at the earliest convenient opportunity. Even more important, in the long run, was the later announcement of the details of Australia's participation in the Empire Air Training Scheme. This has again been revised, and the present plan exceeds anything previously contemplated. Both these decisions are difficult to reconcile with the idea of "benevolent neutrality."

Second A.I.F. To Fight

The Expeditionary Force will be known as the Second A.I.F., affording a link with the traditions of the Australian Imperial Forces, which served at Gallipoli and in France between 1914 and 1918. The Second A.I.F. was voluntarily enlisted for service at home or abroad, and is quite distinct from the Militia which is a permanent force of volunteers for home defence.

The decision to send the Second A.I.F. abroad is highly significant. At the last Imperial Conference it was agreed that Australia's share in the defence of the Empire should be the adequate protection of her own territory. It may consequently be assumed that the decision to send troops abroad is based on the conviction that the Militia, which has undergone intensive training since September, is now equal to the task of defending Australian security.

Militia training has also been modified. No more volunteers will be enlisted, and compulsory military training for home defence will be re-introduced. This is designed to ensure equality of service and responsibility, and all youths of 20 and 21 years of age will go into camp soon.

In addition to the Second A.I.F., the Militia and the new trainees, there are, of course, many men over 30 years of age who were trained under the old compulsory system, which was abandoned for reasons of economy during the depression in 1929.

Enormous Air Plan

Another factor contributing to Australian security, and permitting the transfer of troops abroad, is the Air Training Scheme. It was previously intended to send numbers of pilots to Canada after elementary training in Australia. Now only 6,000 will go to Canada, and an Air Force of approximately 20,000 will be fully trained in Australia. Of these it is estimated that 10,000 will be pilots.

This arrangement will simplify the financing of the scheme, and will ensure that there will always be a large number of trained airmen and fighting planes available in Australia should an emergency arise. Incidentally, the scheme will involve the presence in Australia of planes of more formidable types than those hitherto considered necessary, thus increasing the margin of superiority over seaborne aircraft, which represent the only aerial menace Australia need fear.

Industrial Expansion

In recent years many new industries have been established in Australia, and the process of expansion has been further stimulated by the war. Heavy industries in particular are working at high pressure, and few factories are now enlarging their premises and augmenting their productive capacity.

The latest important development in this direction is the Commonwealth Government's decision to introduce a bounty to ensure the production of a completely Australian motor car within eighteen months. Already large body-building and assembly plants are operating here, and only engines, chassis and certain equipment are imported. Since local factories are producing high-efficiency aircraft engines, the manufacture of car engines presents no serious problems. The market is large enough to maintain the local industry, and the bounty is designed to assist the establishment of the industry on an economic basis.

Within a few days of the Government's announcement of the proposed bounty one local firm revealed that it had acquired the modern plant of a concern in the United States, which was already being dismantled for transfer to Australia.

Skilled Labour

Industrial expansion and the Air Training Scheme have created an insistent demand for skilled labour, specially in the engineering trades. To meet this demand, thousands of youths are to receive intensive training to equip them as tool-makers, fitters and skilled craftsmen to keep the wheels of industry turning at ever-increasing speed. Some of these youths will join the ground-staff of the new Air Force. Others will pass into work-shops and factories all over the country.

They are part of the industrial army behind the combatant forces, and just as determined to give the lie to sneers that Australia is not wholeheartedly with the rest of the Empire in this conflict until the final victory is achieved.

MANY people were rescued from a three-storey boarding house which caught fire—one man jumped 15 ft. from a window, several people slid down drain pipes or were rescued by the fire brigade, while a baby was saved by two passers-by, one standing on the other's shoulders to reach a bedroom window. A thirteen year old girl was rescued by means of sheets wrapped round billiard cues.

Pigeons Valuable Messengers During War

Pigeons may not be mentioned in official communiqués very often but they play a most important part in keeping up contact between R.A.F. planes out on their missions and the base to which important details have to be communicated as rapidly and reliably as possible. With a message tied to one of their legs, these feathered messengers may be released hundreds of miles away from the base but they fly back with the minimum delay. The above pictures show, at left: Pigeons being released during the training period which they undergo before they are attached to the fighting forces; Top right: Accommodated in convenient baskets, they are taken aboard a plane which is to transport them to their destination; and bottom right: Three pigeons being released by the observer of a plane in flight.

The Danger of Fire in Ships Plying the Seven Seas

Question of Adequate Precautions Against Outbreaks; Some Ways to Guard Vessels, Cargoes and Lives

BY W. J. GORMAN, O.B.E.

THE recent serious ship fires with their disastrous results, which have occurred on modern liners and which have destroyed some of the finest and the latest of vessels, point to the necessity of investigating the cause with a view to eliminating, recurrences or minimizing the hazard. In the scope of this article I will try and touch on the causes and the methods adopted to overcome outbreaks of fire on board ship. During the past few years fires have not only broken out on board some of the finest liners, but have completely destroyed them, the latest addition to fall to the ravages of fire being the Italian luxury liner, the Orazio, which had coupled with the great loss a casualty list of close on one hundred.

Some of the finest French liners also fell victims to the fire demon, namely the L'Atlantique, Lafayette, and the Paris. The American Liner, the Morro Castle, also fell a victim to fire. After these serious disasters have occurred there should, in my opinion, be a complete investigation, and an enquiry held with the help of technicians, who should include fire officers, marine architects, marine engineers, etc., in an attempt to ascertain the real cause, to devise means to prevent a repetition and to eliminate further loss to other liners.

Steamers can be classified in three classes, viz., passenger vessels or liners, cargo freighters, and tankers. The question of adequate precautions against outbreaks of fire both structurally and in other directions, has always received the closest attention from ship builders, yet with all the precautions and safety measures taken, the recent serious fires in modern liners at sea have resulted in enormous losses to the companies, and in loss of human lives.

To define one of the most modern liners one would be fairly accurate in describing it as a floating hotel, the only difference being that the passengers are confined to the ship with no means of egress, except into the open sea, whereas the inmates of an hotel have so many more means of safety at their disposal. The luxuries, comforts, pleasure, etc., are all at the disposal of the passenger on the liner as they are in the modern hotel. On the modern liner today one has the cinema, theatre, dance hall and other amusements, which one finds on shore. They are all provided for the pleasure of the passenger. On shore, however, these are governed by various safety regulations. It is the companies' desire to provide the passenger with all the luxuries and pleasures on board the liner that are to be found ashore, which produces the same fire risk on board that is to be found on land.

Fire Alarms

In the modern Liner of today most cabins and other sections of the ship are fitted with thermostats and fire alarms connected up to an indicator board with an alarm bell on the bridge and in others parts of the ship. In addition there is the glass fronted fire alarm, which is distributed over the ship and which can be operated by any one in the vicinity. At various points on the ships, fire hydrants with lengths of hose, and portable fire extinguishers are provided. Provided that these hydrants are able to give powerful fire fighting jets, there appears no valid reason why the fire should not be brought under quick control, if it occurs in a place where access is fairly easy. If the fire is located in its early stages then its progress should be limited.

In the holds and engine rooms, extra risks prevail and these are usually taken care of by a separate system of pipes in which steam, water, or inert gas can be pumped in, thus providing a complete flooding of the section which should effectually bring the outbreak under control, or retard its progress. The most important nerve centre of the boat, in my opinion, is the engine room, because if the main machinery is stopped or put out of commission, then the fire pumps, and other fire installation which receive their power from this section of the ship, is placed out of action and is useless unless a secondary means of driving power has been provided on one of the upper decks or away from the engine room. I have always been an advocate of providing two separate power driving devices for the whole fire installation on board ship one from the engine room, and a secondary means from a different section of the boat.

Causes

One must not lose sight of the number of causes of fires on board ship—the luxurious fittings, curtains, carpets, and articles in the modern state rooms and cabins. All these constitute a potential fire hazard. Then there is the question of the electrical installation, the overloading of which must be watched very closely. The overloading of a system with wires in a bad condition through lack of maintenance might be one cause of fire.

As an example we will suppose that a fire has broken out in one of the cabins, which has a modern system of ventilation, the air being carried out by open channels, trunkways, and louvres. Here a first class circulation of fresh air is provided at once to feed the fire. The heat and, perhaps, the flames, can also travel through these sections very quickly. Heat is generated in the cabin and this results in the sides, floor and ceiling becoming red hot. The Fire has then probably advanced to the cabins on each side and to the upper and lower decks. It will then be readily understood that through one cabin being involved, outbreaks may occur simultaneously in other sections. Fires under this category would prove rather difficult at first to reach as the staff or crew would have to approach the fire from the alleyways or corridors where the Cabins are situated and which would naturally be filled with dense volumes of smoke and heat.

In the construction of ships two components are to be considered, the vertical and horizontal areas. Passenger accommodation is mostly laid out in a horizontal direction, and is directed into adjoining alleyways or passages. These sections of the ship act as air shafts or air producers which, in turn, do much to feed the flames with fresh oxygen. Stairways, reception rooms and lounges generally connect at some point with these passages and they, in turn, create further difficulties in dealing effectively with the fire as they are very quickly filled with dense volumes of smoke and heat.

Some Methods

One might ask the question, with a ship burning on the ocean with an inexhaustible supply of water around it, how could an outbreak of fire reach such dangerous proportions? This also applies to the contents of the cargo, which is being carried on board the ship at the time. Water is not always the right medium for combatting fire. The different variety of Ships cargoes require, at times, special media of defence for fighting a fire which spread's with extreme rapidity. Foam, steam, and CO2 are some of the methods that may have to be resorted to bring the fire under control.

Most of the modern liners now have the CO2 gas installation fitted on them. This installation is one of the latest types and is fitted with smoke indicators and alarm bells, which ring on the bridge and other sections of the boat, and which also informs the officers on duty on the bridge in which part of the boat the fire has broken out. The gas is stored in steel cylinders which are linked up in various sections, enabling the officer to release certain links or groups of cylinders. The gas is colourless and odourless. By this system it will be readily understood that fires in enclosed rooms are easier to extinguish than open ones or partly confined ones. One advantage of this system is its being free of any injurious influence on the goods or cargo to be protected. The installation being always ready for extinguishing, allows the use of the extinguishing medium without loss of time. Within a few seconds the section on fire is permeated with the CO2 and the fire is extinguished on the spot.

Fire Protection

The question of protection against fire can only be borne when the measures taken for this purpose are proportionate to the risk in material value and lives. The maximum efficiency can only be obtained when a constructional and upkeep view is apportioned to correspond with the risk.

One point stands out prominent and that point is that discipline in both the crew and the passengers is of vital importance, for unless the outbreak is quelled or controlled in its initial stages, the crew may become helpless in preventing the spread of the fire. Outbreaks of fire in the engine rooms of motor-driven vessels at sea might create very serious difficulties, as the outbreak may possibly destroy cables connected to the pumps, and may also put the main engines out of commission. This proves my point of how essential it is to have an independent emergency fire pump driven or operated by its own oil engine or other power, and situated away from the engine room and passenger accommodation.

Fire Resisting Woodwork and Fittings

One wonders at times if the woodwork used in construction has been treated with a fire resisting solution, or is of the fire resisting type. At certain sections fireproof bulkheads, if provided, would prove a valuable asset as a fire stop and would certainly help in retarding the advance of the fire. Doors leading to and from the various sections should be of substantial construction and packed with asbestos if possible. Certain things, which are considered fire proof, would burn fairly freely if subjected to a sufficiently high temperature long enough.

Retarding A Fire's Progress

In passages and alleyways drop curtains constructed of asbestos would prove invaluable as a safeguard. They would retard and prevent the inflow of fresh air to the fire also, and this is so important. They would also have another advantage over the steel fire door by allowing an easy exit for persons trapped on the fire side of the curtain, as they would close automatically after their passage. Provided that the construction of adjacent walls, floors, and ceilings possesses a high degree of fire resistance, the curtain would prevent the spread of fire for an indefinite period, but this would largely depend upon the degree of fire resistance in the connecting construction. Pure asbestos is quite fireproof and will not burn, one of its combined constituents being water. But it must be understood that if subjected to certain temperatures for any length of time it would dehydrate and thereby lose a certain amount of its fire resisting strength.

The operation of these curtains could be carried out after construction by remote control, or by fusible links. The value of asbestos as a heat insulator is also an important factor. Recent fires on ships at sea have fully demonstrated all too clearly the speed at which a fire can spread in ships and it would certainly appear fairly clear that appliances of the type mentioned would do much to retard the outbreak of fires, and at the same time allow the free passage of passengers from one section to the other. One other point may also be considered and that is the installation of a complete fire bulkhead right across the ship from one side to the other.

Risk in Freighters

The fire risk in freighters is increased according to the nature of cargo carried in the hold. A good number of the outbreaks of fires in cargo holds could be classified as due to combustion. Low temperature in the hold affords the best of all protection against the inception and development of fire.

Cobustion

From the chemical point of view combustion proceeds in a uniform manner in cases of fire, the causes may differ considerably. For instance combustion or fire may result from any of the following causes

(1) Direct ignition with flaming or glowing material.
(2) Faint, but prolonged heat.
(3) Spontaneous heating.
(4) Spontaneous ignition.
(5) Explosion.
(6) Electric sparks, flashes, or lightning.
(7) Chemical reactions
(8) Pressure, friction, shock, falls, concussion.
(9) Focussed rays.

Certain substances exhibit the faculty of maintaining a state of conbustion without manifesting more than slightly, if at all, the usual phenomena of that condition. They do not burn in the true sense of the word. Their combustion consists of an advancing glimmering streak, which liberates sufficient heat to make the adjacent portions burn or glow faintly. Such substances may remain for days in a burning state, as they require such a small amount of oxygen to continue glimmering. Some of these substances are tinder, touch paper, materials impregnated with saltpetre, etc.

Spontaneous Ignition

Under this heading are generally classed all cases of quick or slow oxidation or combustion brought about by chemical, electrical, biological (bacterial) or physical processes (vibration, pressure, shock, or friction) only without the joint assistance of extraneous sources of heat (flame or hot glowing bodies). Spontaneous heating or spontaneous ignition has already been observed in practice to occur with the following substances, coal, lignite, briquettes, coke, lampblack, carbonized peat, metallic powders, slag heaps, etc. Fires produced by the influence of the sun's rays are generally regarded as a species of spontaneous ignition. These fires frequently occur in cases where least expected.

By the term explosive is generally meant gunpowder, nitro-glycerine, dynamite, blasting powders and various other metals and substances, used or manufactured with a view to produce a practical effect by explosion or a pyrotechnic effect. Solid and liquid explosives represent gases or vapours condensed into the smallest possible compass in the solid or liquid form. Certain gases and vapours may also be certified as explosive. The safety of explosive substances naturally increases with their purity, a factor which also influences their stability. Various inciting causes are needed to bring about the explosion as each substance is likely to behave differently. Some need to be struck, rubbed, heated, brought into contact with a flame or spark, compression, or subjected to percussion, etc. There are so many special peculiarities to be borne in mind in connection with explosive bodies that they require individual treatment in respect of storage, etc.

Storage Questions

Then there is the storage of inflammable liquids, solids and gases in holds which require strict supervision. Volatility of inflammable liquids is of great importance from a fire prevention standpoint, inasmuch as the combustion of such is mostly attributed to a chemical reaction of the liquid and the oxygen in the air. Should a correct mixture of air and vapour be formed it is not necessary for a spark or flame to cause the fire; it may be brought about by the heating of the material.

It is general knowledge that inflammable gases and vapours arising from such liquids and solids are heavier than air and generally collect at low points, trenches and hollows, and have been known to form explosive pockets at different sections. Valuable experience is acquired by the fire technician in dealing with different types and kinds of fires both afloat and on shore. A fire in an enclosed space like a ship's hold or cabin radiates heat which acts on the construction or materials stored within its vicinity. It is then essential as far as possible to segregate this section if possible; the breaking of windows and doors is to be condemned unless absolutely essential. This is immediately followed by the fire burning briskly. An outward draft or wind will bring about the escape of heat, gases, and sparks to the adjoining structures, corridors, cabins, staircases etc., and by this means the fire is quickly propagated to other sections of the ship or building.

Wooden structures subjected to radiated heat naturally become an hazard and an element of danger. The fire which broke out on board the Morro Castle originated in a locker in the writing room on the port side of the vessel. Within a few minutes the fire had spread outside the locker and involved the ceiling and draperies on the windows in the immediate vicinity. Fire also appeared in the starboard side of the lobby, forward of the library, and shortly after, the fire was at least half way through the lounge and spreading to the mezzanine floor on the deck above. A number of hidden flues or channels which practically inter-connected over the area of the deck, no doubt, contributed to the progress of the fire.

Fire Stops

When extreme heat is radiated fire can pass through concealed ceiling spaces into adjoining sections, and defy the efforts of the firemen as it would be difficult for fire jets to reach the fire. In a case of this sort it is possible for the fire to travel over the firemens' heads without their immediate knowledge. All concealed channels and air ducts or flues through which fire could travel should be adequately fitted with fire stops to eliminate and retard the progress of the fire.

In all large passenger vessels adequate fire stops should be constructed and steel bulkheads provided. Openings in these bulkheads should be eliminated as far as possible to eliminate the travel of undetected fire, all fittings, draperies and furnishings should be fire resistant as far as possible. The essential question of providing adequate fire protection of large ocean liners needs to be studied very carefully, as there is a vast difference between the fire risks of ship construction and building construction on land.

Eliminating Chance

The main and essential point to my view is to eliminate, as far as is practicable, any possible chance of a fire breaking out. A fire in a building on shore can be attacked from so many angles from the ground upwards, with plenty of resources available to release the heat, smoke, and hot gases. In a fire on board ship the only outlet for the heat etc. is the approach by which the firemen must enter or travel, the space is also congested and limited due to these and other disadvanatges. A fire on a ship has a greater tendency to spread than a fire on land.

The installation of sprinklers at various sections of ships is worthy of consideration. They would operate in difficult and inaccessible sections of the boat where the firemen would find it difficult to operate fire appliances. One essential factor is that the personnel that is required to operate the fire appliances should be fully competent and conversant in their uses in the event they are called upon to use them. Fire fighting does not merely consist of directing a jet of water on to a spot where a fire is presumed to be.

Fires in inaccessible and difficult positions can only be controlled and checked by practical methods which are acquired only by practical training under these conditions. Efficiency in fire fighting is the same as seamanship and can only be acquired by practical experience gained under various and arduous conditions. Like many other vocations the technical side of fire prevention and fire fighting has advanced tremendously since the industrial evolution and it is highly essential for one to keep abreast and make a careful study of the risks and hazards that are prevailing and which continue to prevail due to the advancement of modern industry.

A BOOK of modern verse, bearing the Queen's signature and monogram, was presented by the Queen at Sandringham House on January 7 to eighteen-year-old Nora Hains. Nora is this year's winner of the Queen's Prize at King's Lynn Girls' High School. The award is made each year to the most public-spirited girl of the school and was instituted by the Royal Family nearly forty years ago. The presentation took place when the King and Queen and the two Princesses returned from morning service at St. Mary's Church, Sandringham. The girl said afterwards that the Queen made her feel very much at home.

Nationalization of Munitions Works

Canadian Labour Congress Petition Government

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Ottawa, Jan. 29.

A memorandum advocating the nationalization of all munition factories was submitted to the Government yesterday by the All-Canadian Congress of Labour.

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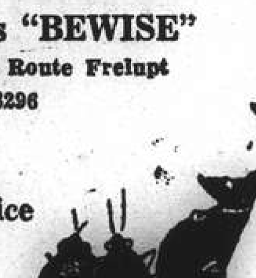

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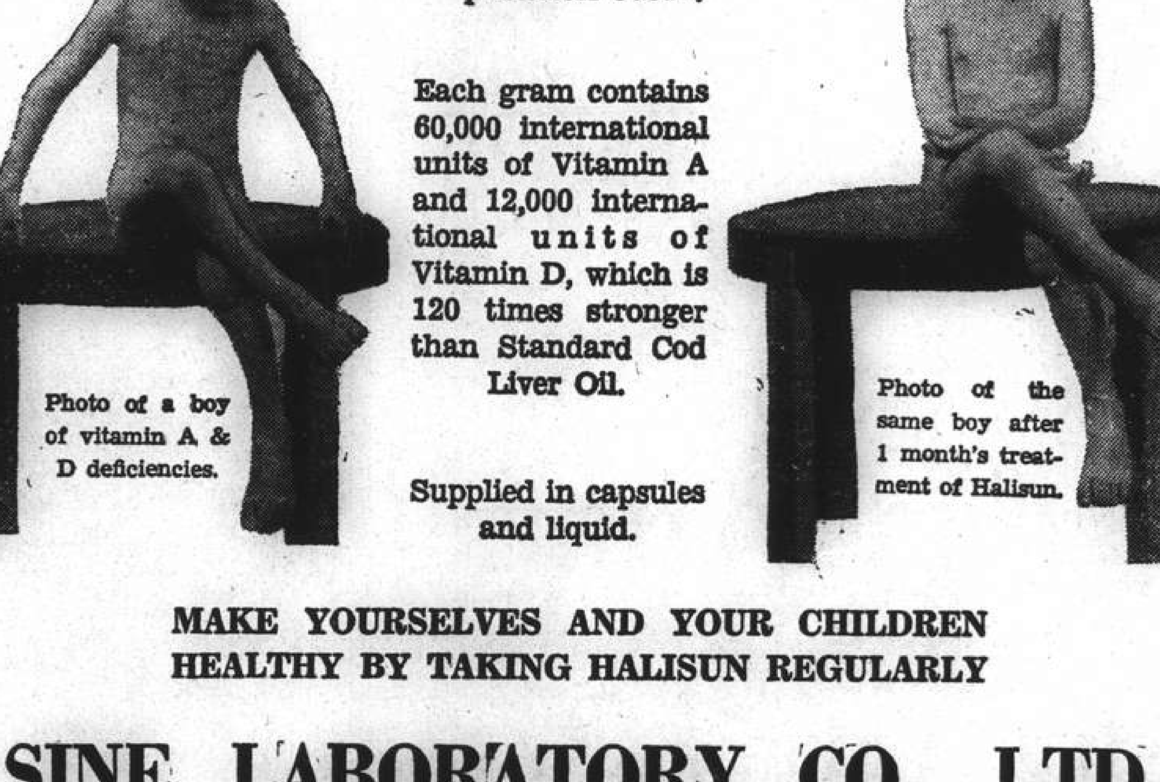

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Shanghai Football Team to Meet Hongkong Selected

Changes Made in Probables XI ; Foyn, McClarty, Segalen Chosen ; Combined Foreign Side Picked

SHANGHAI'S interport soccer team to meet Hongkong was announced yesterday by the Executive Committee of the Football Association and the side includes: W. Ward (S.M.P.); G. Collet (French Forces), Sgt. W. Harrison (E. Surreys); Y. Segalen (A.S.F.), N. Z. Lee (Lido), J. Ward (A.S.F.)-captain; F. Foyn (S.F.X.), Bdms. H. McClarty (E. Surreys), V. Roboostoff (A.S.F.), K. S. Suen (Lido), C. T. Tsao (Lido). The reserves are Sgt. Campbell (Seaforths), A. S. da Costa (Lusitano), H. C. Collaco (Lusitano), Cpl. A. Parr (Surreys) and V. K. Hyui (Lido).

At the same time the Committee selected the Combined Foreign XI to meet the invaders and the side includes: M. Souza (Lusitano), E. Victal (Police), Sgt. J. Campbell (Seaforths), M. Greenberg (S.F.X.), Pte. Jelly (Surreys), A. S. da Costa (Lusitano)-captain, Cpl. A. Parr (Surreys), H. C. Collaco (Lusitano), H. Cochran (P.T.H.), Pte. Fraser (Seaforths), M. Karolitch (S.F.X.). The reserves are L. Rozario (Lusitano), Cpl. McCusker (Seaforths), Pte. A. Paget (Surreys), H. England (S.R.C.) and D. Mingozzi (S.R.C.).

The changes made in the Probables team, which played last Sunday in a trial match against the Possibles, were alterations which were generally expected in view of the performances of the players in that match. The eye-catching play of Foyn and McClarty in the forward line elevated them into the interport side while Segalen and Collet showed such able defensive work, also on the Possibles team, that they likewise have been given positions on the interport side.

Four Changes

Apart from those four changes, the Probables team which played on Sunday is unaltered, and the XI as it is now formed looks as powerful as any soccer team which Shanghai can field. When they meet Hongkong here during the Chinese New Year holidays they are expected to be worthy representatives of the best football in this city.

The interport team was actually chosen by the Selection Committee immediately after the trial match on Sunday at the Canidrome but was not announced by the Executive Committee of the S.F.A. until yesterday when a meeting was held at which approval was given to the choice of the Selection Committee.

Players chosen for the interport team are requested to be present at the Canidrome for training on Thursday, February 1, and Tuesday, February 6, at 12.15 p.m. each day, bringing their complete football togs. Tiffin will be provided both days. Any player unable to take part in the interport match or unable to attend the practice sessions is asked to inform the Hon. Secretary of the Association, Mr. M. Spiegler, immediately.

Players Cautioned

With regard to tickets, it was announced yesterday that tickets for all three matches against Hongkong are on sale at the Canidrome on dog-racing days and on days on which football matches are played there and also at Squires Bingham, Ltd., 126 Nanking Road.

The Executive Committee of the S.F.A. handed down the following decisions with regard to matches played last week-end. Duncan of the Seaforths and Kecker of Betar were cautioned. N. Ou of Ching Hwa was suspended for a period covering two league and/or cup matches of his club. Sokol forfeits the match against Parks in the second division, by default.

Light Horse Even With Rowing Club

Second Division Squash Teams Meet ; Lewis and Schmid Have Long Battle

The Light Horse and Rowing Club "B" played off their postponed match in the second division of the squash rackets league last night each team scoring two wins, the fifth and deciding game, that between H. Maitland of the Light Horse and R. Dickinson of the Rowing Club being held over till Thursday. On this will rest the result of the contest, which although not having a bearing on the final result of the league, will provide interest to followers of these two teams.

The other postponed match, that between the Hongkong Bank team and the Columbians, has been postponed until next week and will probably be played off on Tuesday next.

Among yesterday's games that between J.G.W. Lewis of the Light Horse and T. O. Schmid of the Rowing Club provided the most interest, with Lewis coming out ahead by the barest of margins. The scoring ran in an amazing manner, each player winning a game by a large margin, and it was only in the second game that points were evenly distributed, the others seeing a margin of seven points separating winner and loser.

Alec White disposed of E. P. Morphew fairly easily and P. Planner defeated J. B. Brown in four games, the match between E. S. J. Phillips and A. R. Forsythe also going to four games with the former the winner.

ROWING CLUB 2, LIGHT HORSE 2

E. P. Morphew lost to Alec White, 9-10, 2-9, 6-9.

T. O. Schmid lost to J. G. W. Lewis, 9-3, 7-9, 1-9, 9-0, 2-9.

P. Planner defeated J. B. Brown, 9-5, 4-9, 9-3, 9-5.

E. S. J. Phillips defeated A. R. Forsythe, 9-3, 9-1, 8-10, 9-1.

Washerwoman Ahead In Golf Tourney

Outplays All Rivals in Philippine Open

Manila, Jan. 30.

Miss Dominga Capati, the Filipino washerwoman who taught herself to play golf, today turned in a card of 87 to take an easy lead in the first round.

In carding 87 she obtained a good grip on the title and unless she collapses completely tomorrow and Friday she will win her fourth consecutive championship.

The washerwoman is the only Filipino in the tourney. All others are Europeans and Americans. Miss Capati never took a golf lesson in her life and plays with second-hand golf clubs which she purchased from her savings.—United Press.

7-Mile Cross Country Run Postponed

Owing to insufficient time at hand for arrangements the International 7-Mile Cross-Country Championship Race sponsored by the Hongkew Cross-Country Club which was scheduled to be run February 4, will be postponed until Sunday, February 25.

The Third 21-Mile Marathon Cross-Country Race Championship also has been postponed until March 17. It was scheduled to be run February 25.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Ready to Trade Blows with the Public School Team

Here is a picture of the American School's midget boxing team which is to meet the Western District Public School on Saturday. Back row (left to right): Herbie Gallop, Bobby Steen, Billy Kan, Jerry Tinling, John McDonnell, Bull Putnam. Front row (left to right): Robin Henningsen, Colin Rosse, Michael Palmer, John Hendry, Severin Harkson, and Walter Palmer. Boxing instructor Mr. W. Tingle is behind.

Few Changes Made In Soccer Table

Area Details' Victory at Expense of Rowing Club Determines 2nd Division

With the exception of the Reserve Division in which Lido and the East Surreys are now tied for leadership, no change has been made in the standing of the Shanghai Football Association League as a result of the games played during the past week-end.

Area Details defeated the Rowing Club and have the title in the Second Division practically clinched. Maccabi and Three Cultures are still running a neck-and-neck race in the Third Division. The Maccabians, having played one game more than the Culturists, hold a slight edge, but it is rather doubtful if they are able to win over the Chinese when they meet later in the season.

The standing up to January 28 follows:—

FIRST DIVISION

Lido	9	9	0	0	35	12	18
Surreys	9	5	2	2	39	23	12
Seaforths	10	6	0	4	32	24	12
S.R.C.	10	5	2	3	31	28	12
S.F.X.	9	5	0	4	31	22	10
A.S.F.	10	5	0	5	34	31	10
P.T.H.	10	4	2	4	26	36	10
Tung Hwa	9	4	0	5	24	29	8
Lusitano	10	2	0	8	20	41	4
S.M.P.	10	0	0	10	15	41	0

RESERVE DIVISION

Lido	8	7	0	1	30	8	14
Surreys	8	6	2	0	35	9	14
Seaforths	7	4	3	0	20	7	11
S.F.X.	8	3	2	3	16	15	8
Tung Hwa	8	3	1	4	10	19	7
S.M.P.	7	2	2	3	16	22	6
S.R.C.	7	2	1	4	11	13	5
Lusitano	6	2	1	5	16	29	5
P.T.H.	8	1	2	5	10	24	4
A.S.F.	9	1	2	6	14	32	4

SECOND DIVISION

Area Details	6	6	0	0	36	8	12
French Forces	7	6	0	1	26	12	12
J.R.C.	6	4	0	2	35	11	8
Rowing Club	6	3	1	2	24	8	7
Parks	6	3	1	2	20	18	7
Ching Hwa	6	3	0	3	30	17	6
Sokol	6	3	0	3	19	11	6
Russ. Regt.	6	1	0	5	9	28	2
U. T. Party	5	0	0	5	11	31	0
J.A.C.	6	0	0	6	1	69	0

THIRD DIVISION

Maccabi	9	8	1	0	33	9	17
Russ. Club	9	7	2	0	29	10	16
3 Cults.	8	7	1	0	39	8	15
Aurora	9	4	1	4	23	16	9
Xaverians	9	4	1	4	19	19	9
Betar	9	3	2	4	17	18	8
Old West.	9	4	0	5	18	23	8
Judeans	9	3	0	6	14	20	6
Hotspurs	9	2	1	6	11	16	5
R.A.M.C.	8	2	0	6	15	25	4
Oarsmen	8	2	0	6	8	33	4
Tung Wen	8	1	1	6	6	39	3

Al Hostak Whipped by "Unknown" Fighter

Chicago, Jan. 30.

Tony Zale of Indiana scored a surprise victory over Al Hostak, Seattle fighter who is recognized as the world middleweight champion by the National Boxing Association, in a non-title bout last night.—United Press.

Country Club Ladies Leading C.S.F.

Clean Sweep Made Against Union Church Team

The two leading teams in the Ladies' Division of the Badminton League drew well away from the rest of the field yesterday evening when the Country Club "A" won their home engagement by 9-0 against the Union Church while the C.S.F. "A" routed their second team by 8-1 at the French Club courts.

Last night's fixtures marked the close of the first round in the competition with the Country Club having scored 35 victories out of 36 games while the C.S.F. seniors are runners-up with 31 wins. The Union Church are a poor third with only 11 triumphs to their credit.

The only Union Church couple to put up any resistance last night against the all-conquering Country Club first-stringers was that of Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Sinclair.

At the French Club, Mrs. Perkins and Mrs. Popple took a game at 15-10 from Mrs. Jorgensen and Miss Tavares for the only point of the second team. The third match also saw a stiff struggle as Mrs. Blandy and Mrs. Woolfe had three hard games of 15-14, 15-10 and 15-11 with Mrs. Richards and Miss Horsky.

Detailed scores follow:—

COUNTRY CLUB "A" 9; UNION CHURCH 0

Miss Holwill and Mrs. Burton beat Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Sinclair, 15-13, 15-8, 15-10.

Mrs. Maitland and Mrs. Cox beat Miss Ballingall and Miss Kemp, 15-0, 15-0, 15-4.

Mrs. Mirams and Mrs. Maxtead beat Mrs. Baxter and Mrs. Duff, 15-5, 15-4, 15-7.

C.S.F. "A" 8; C.S.F. "B" 1

Mrs. Arnold Jones and Mrs. Hubbard beat Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Trolle, 15-7, 15-11, 15-8.

Mrs. Jorgensen and Miss Tavares beat Mrs. Perkins and Mrs. Popple, 15-8, 10-15, 15-8.

Mrs. Blandy and Mrs. Woolfe beat Mrs. Richards and Miss Horsky, 15-14, 15-10, 15-11.

Big Salaries for Top Players

Greenberg Signs Up With Tigers ; McCoy Gets Bonus Of U.S.$45,000

Detroit, Jan 30.

The Detroit Tigers were featured on the nation's sports pages today because of two of the biggest baseball deals this year.

Hank Greenberg, star slugger, signed his 1940 contract as an outfielder and although no announcement was made regarding his salary terms, sports scribes believed that he would receive about the same amount as he did in 1939, US$35,000, regarded as the highest salary in the big league at present.

Benny McCoy, 23-year-old former rookie Tiger second baseman, who, despite less than a year's experience in the major leagues, became the year's highest-priced player.

He signed a two-year contract with the Philadelphia Athletics for an annual salary of US$10,000 after receiving a bonus of US$45,000 for signing.

Ten clubs in both leagues were after McCoy's services after he had been declared a free agent by Commissioner Judge Kenesaw M. Landis.

Meanwhile, reports from St. Louis said that Vernon Kennedy, right-handed hurler, had signed a 1940 contract with the St. Louis Browns. He was the second player to sign with the American League club. Harland Clift was the first.—United Press.

Hongkong Interport Rugby XV Weakened

Stewart and Bidwell Now Unlikely to Come Here

Hongkong, Jan. 30.

Hongkong's rugby team which is to visit Shanghai during the Chinese New Year holidays will be weaker than the side originally selected, because of the inability of two of the most brilliant members of the fifteen to leave the Colony, it was learned today.

The two men are Donald Stewart and Harold Bidwell, and it is a strange coincidence that both are former Shanghai players.

Stewart has definitely announced that he will not travel to Shanghai as wing three-quarter. H. Van Leeuwen has been invited to take Stewart's place.

Bidwell, centre three-quarter, has expressed doubt as to whether he will be able to make the trip. He will know definitely in a day or two.

The exclusion of Bidwell and Stewart from the Hongkong team would definitely weaken the local fifteen since both have played brilliantly this season and much of the scoring thrusts were expected to be borne by them.—United Press.

Kleffel Get High Bowling Mark

His Triple of 595 Leads Y.M.C.A. to Success as Ten-Pin League Opens

Led by Kleffel and Butler, the Foreign Y.M.C.A. started their campaign in the Shanghai Inter-Club Ten Pins League last night with a 3-0 victory over the Columbia Country Club Oaks in the latter's alleys. Kleffel registered a triple of 595 while Butler scored 564.

The "Y" scored a fine team single of 964 in the opening string as Butler singled 235, the highest of the day. Kleffel gained 225 in this game. In the second string the winners weakened to enable the Oaks to put up a close fight but in the third session play again became somewhat one-sided.

At the Race Club the home team defeated the American Club by the odd game in three. Bowling was of a low standard, especially on the part of the Americans when none of their representatives was in form. Klovekorn did the best, turning in a triple of 524.

Results follow:—

"A" Division

FOREIGN Y.M.C.A.

Gonsalves	189	166	164	519
Krause	179	186	170	535
Chanturai	136	169	200	505
Kleffel	225	179	191	595
Butler	235	171	158	564
	964	871	883	2,718

C.C.C. OAKS

Huebner	147	171	179	497
Stock	200	143	187	530
Gray	120	158	145	42
F. D. Nance	173	188	156	517
Squires	170	194	148	512
	810	854	817	2,481

AMERICAN CLUB

Hartnett	182	168	132	482
Quinn	119	153	160	4[illegible]
Breen	121	157	169	447
Klovekorn	189	162	173	524
Lurton	199	131	146	476
	810	771	780	2,361

RACE CLUB

Collins	191	130	168	489
Watton	163	122	162	447
L. C. Kew	179	168	164	571
A. C. Kew	157	138	197	492
Clark	198	145	177	520
	888	703	868	2,459

"B" Division

MAPLE SECTION

Columbia Club (1)	853	755	718	2,326
Marine Whites (2)	758	831	791	2,380
"Y" Luckies (1)	749	715	793	2,257
A. C. Trojans (2)	752	781	752	2,285
Marine Blues (3)	677	805	815	2,297
S.R.C. Spares (0)	663	678	741	2,082

PINE SECTION

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"Y" Flukes (1)	735	737	771	2,243
S.R.C. Strikes (2)	808	797	719	2,324
Swiss Club (0)	831	833	737	2,501
Marine Officers (3)	926	871	812	2,609

Sub-Par Golf Wins Crosby Tourney

Del Mar, Calif., Jan. 30.

Ed Oliver Hornell, New York professional, pocketed US$500 of Bing Crosby's money yesterday. He won the Bing Crosby annual tourney with a sub-par 135, three strokes better than the score carded by Vic Ghezzi. Ben Hogan and Harold "Jug" McSpaden, who recently won the Philippines Open title, tied for third honours with 139. There was US$3,000 in prize money.—United Press.

United Putting Three Teams on Field

Sides Chosen for Week-end Hockey Matches

The following players have been selected to represent the Shanghai United Hockey Club in Association fixtures during the weekend:—

United "A" (v. S.M. Police, Saturday, 3 p.m., R. G. 6):—E.A.H. Weidman; S. A. Collaco, K. M. Pate (capt.); S. Reuben, L. Oliveira, H. Cohn; R. C. Murray, S. P. Karanjia, F. R. Kermani, H. Waldman, H. Bojesen. Reserves:—J. Ladd, J. Hetherington. Umpire:—C. M. Barradas.

United "B" (v. Area Details, Sunday, 3 p.m., R. G. 3):—J. P. Jones; C. G. Van der Voort, J. Ladd (capt.); R. J. Willis, P. R. Kermani, S. T. Berglof; R. C. Veir, J. Hetherington, E. V. Chanturai, S. Wilde, A. G. Yourieff. Reserves:—J. Gilchrist, E. Viccajee, Brian Smith. Umpire:—K. M. Fate.

United "C" (v. Seaforths "B", Saturday, 3 p.m., R. G. 7):— K. Wolff; S. Wilde, N. M. Shoolingin (capt.); D. Crook, Brian Smith, D. M. Shoolingin; E. Viccajee, H. H. Lawrence, J. Gilchrist, G. A. Roza, R. V. Crank. Reserves:—G. Kuropatoff, A. Samson. Umpire:—R. J. Willis.

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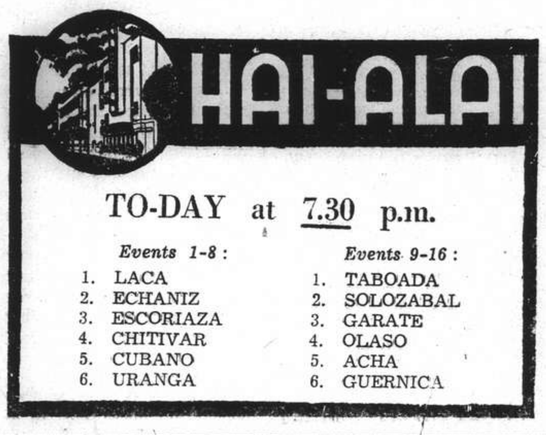

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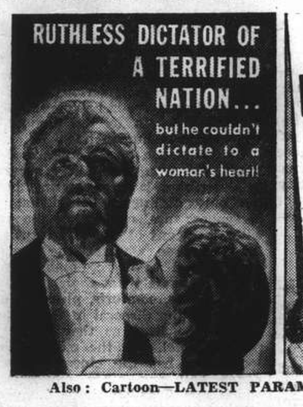

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China Settlement Is Japan's Aim

Forecasts of Premier's Speech in Diet Stress Domestic Problem

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

In his speech to the Diet on February 1 the Premier, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, will reaffirm Japan's firm determination to seek a settlement of the China hostilities in accordance with fixed policy, observers forecast today.

The Premier, they said, probably would pledge full support to the projected central government which is on the verge of coming into existence under the leadership of Mr. Wang Ching-wei.

Yesterday the Cabinet approved a draft of the address. It was understood that Admiral Yonai will beseech the people to have a clearer conception of the national situation on the occasion of observances marking the 2,600th anniversary of the empire's founding.

He was expected to take the opportunity to reiterate the Government's foreign policy, which is based on an independent position and pursuance of a non-intervention attitude toward the European war in readjusting relations with the Powers.

Home Policies Emphasized

Emphasis is likely to be placed by the Premier upon the execution of home policies, especially measures for strengthening of national defences, expansion of armaments, enhancement of public morale, development of economic resources, and stabilization of living standards during the emergency period.

Surveying the political position on the eve of the Diet's reopening, the "Nichi-Nichi Shimbun" said the salient feature of the coming sessions would be the appearance of two opposition parties, the Social Masses and the Jikyoku Doshikai.

These two groups had displayed a critical attitude toward the Government in past sessions but eventually they acquiesced in administrative policies, the journal recalled.

Now, however, the Jikyoku Doshikai had manifested a definite anti-administration attitude by declining Parliamentary vice-ministerial and counsellor posts in the Yonai Cabinet, the "Nichi-Nichi" commented.

It was virtually certain that the Minseito, largest and most influential party, would support the Cabinet because of its representation by two Ministers, according to the daily.

On the other hand, the Seiyukai, second largest political group, though it also was represented in the Cabinet, would not be as enthusiastic as the Minseito in supporting the administration, in the opinion of the "Nichi-Nichi," which pointed out that such a tendency was more noticeable in the reformist faction of the Seiyukai.

The Kuhara, or orthodox, faction probably would align itself with the Minseito, the paper continued.

The "Nichi-Nichi" saw importance in the extent of the joint front which the two major parties might form in backing the Government at the Diet sessions.

Foreign Problems Enumerated

Salient subjects to be elucidated by Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister, in his Diet speech on February 1 were indicated today to be as follows:

1. Japan's policy in dealing with the new central regime in China;
2. Relations with Russia;
3. Japan's present attitude toward the Anti-Comintern Pact;
4. The Asama Maru incident;
5. Measures to be followed in regard to expiration of the trade treaty with America;
6. Trade relations with other countries.

Today the Cabinet gave its approval to the text of Mr. Arita's speech and it will be submitted to the Throne tomorrow by the Foreign Minister after some revisions.—Domei.

Farmers Bank Notes in Hongkong Discounted

Banks Said Reluctant to Accept Currency

Hongkong, Jan. 30.

Banks here today began declining to accept notes issued by the Farmers' Bank of China, one of the four Chungking Government banks. Money exchange shops, simultaneously, began buying and selling Farmers' Bank notes at a discount.

The banks' action followed the disclosure that a Chinese bank in Hongkong had refused to accept as a deposit a large sum in Farmers' Bank notes presented at its counters by the Hongkong Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber, then took the money to the Bank of Communications, another Chungking government institution, which accepted the deposit on the condition that all payments against that account be made in Farmers' Bank notes.

Hongkong representatives of the Chungking financial authorities were making strenuous efforts to put a halt to this discrimination but had failed to achieve any results today. Gen. Chiang Kai-shek is chairman of the Farmers' Bank which was founded in Shanghai in 1933.—Domei.

"Twenty-One Demands" On China Now "Mild"

"Washington Post" Comment On New Japanese Ambitions

Washington, Jan. 30.

The famous 21 demands "were mild in comparison" to Japan's alleged agreement with Wang Ching-wei, leader of the rump "Kuomintang, as published at Hongkong recently, the "Washington Post" said yesterday in an editorial.

"The twenty-one demands were mild in comparison with this latest expression of Japanese ambition...." the newspaper said. "China would be transformed into another Manchoukuo, a land ruled by Chinese puppets manipulated by Japanese wire pullers.

"The conclusion can thus hardly be avoided that Wang Ching-wei has an overweening ambition and a blind jealousy of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. He sold his birthright for a mess of poisonous pottage."—United Press.

Asama Maru Passenger Arrives in Shanghai

Praises Courtesy Shown By British, Japanese

Dr. R. R. Duff of Chicago, Ill., who arrived in Shanghai from Japan yesterday, is probably the only person to have 150 ft. of technicolor film taken of the Asama Maru incident on January 21. Being a passenger on the crack N.Y.K. liner, he had an excellent opportunity of filming the boarding of the steamer and the seizure of 21 out of the 42 German passengers aboard.

He paid high tribute to the courtesy of the British boarding party and the behaviour of the officers of the Japanese steamer throughout the incident.

Dr. Duff said that when the first shot was fired, the Asama Maru refused to stop and waa only forced to do so when the British cruiser navigated in such a manner as to prevent the Japanese liner from proceeding.

The Lieutenant-Commander, who, according to Dr. Duff, lead the British boarding party, refused to talk to any of the passengers but was extremely polite to the Japanese officers.

All German passengers were taken to one of the saloons, Dr. Duff added, and when this had been done, the British officer proceeded to Capt. Watanabe's quarters. When he returned, he addressed the Germans who were to be taken aboard the British warship and each one of the prisoners-of-war was permitted to go to his cabin to get his effects. In this, Dr. Duff pointed out, armed British sailors helped and none of them had to leave any luggage behind.

Among the German seamen taken off, Dr. Duff continued there was a captain who had told him an earlier occasion that during the world-war he had been interned in Chile and that he had premonitions of something similar happening to him on this trip.

Dr. Duff added that the crossing from San Francisco was very bad and that the day on which the Asama Maru was stopped was the nicest of the entire trip. He highly praised Japanese courtesy and hospitality and after visiting Shanghai for the next week or so, he will proceed to Hongkong, Singapore and from there to Australia and New Zealand.

Two Die, Three Injured In Early Morning Blaze

Two Women Saved from Asphyxiation

A 27-year old Chinese woman and her infant child were killed and an aged woman with two young children sustained serious injuries during a fire which broke out in Peu Ka Za village, near Siccawei, shortly after 1 a.m. yesterday. Concession firemen were able to put out the blaze, only to find the five victims in the debris. The aged woman and the two children were rushed to the St. Marie Hospital where their condition was declared to be satisfactory last night.

Two other women escaped death in the Concession yesterday, both of them having been nearly overcome by charcoal-stove fumes. The first was rescued from a room at 119 Rue Hué at 11.15 a.m. and the other was rushed to hospital from a room in House 14, Lane 10, Rhe Lorioz. Both were reported to be improving last night.

Death of Friend Was Motive for Suicide

Why German Millionaire Shot Himself in Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 30.

An official announcement on the suicide of a German resident here, Dr. Paul Beck, on January 25 gives as the motive "despondency following receipt of the news of the death of his friend, Herr Otto Wolf, in Germany."

Dr. Beck, the announcement adds, was born in Germany in 1893; he served in the Army Medical Corps during the Great War. In 1927, he met Herr Wolf, and the two co-operated in industrial enterprises.

Dr. Beck subsequently came to China as the Far Eastern representative of Herr Wolf's firm. He concluded contracts with the Chinese Government for the construction of the Chekiang-Kiangsi-Hunan-Kwangsi railway, which runs from Yushan to Kweilin via Nanchang, Pinghsiang and Hengyang.

Before his death, Dr. Beck was planning the organization of a "China Motor Company."

Dr. Beck's body was discovered by servants at his home on the south bank of the Yangtze River, opposite Chungking, on January 25. He is reputed to have been a multimillionaire, with banking accounts in Germany, Chungking and Hongkong, which he had left just before the outbreak of the European war.—Reuter.

Ta Min Hui Will Not Join New C.P.C.

Nanking Organization Not A Political Party

Nanking, Jan. 30.

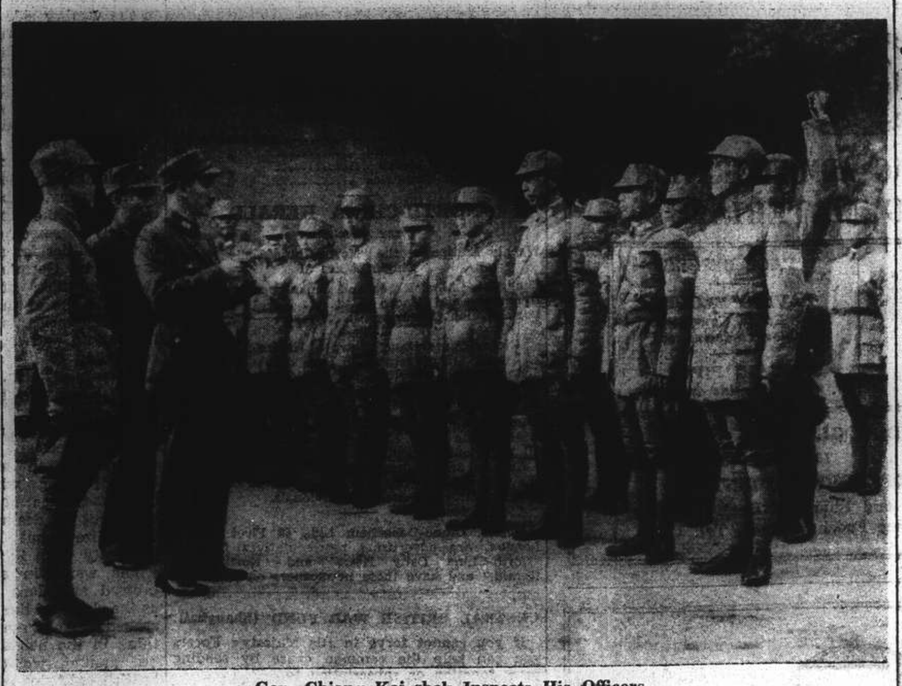
Taking the position that it is not a political party, the Ta Min Hui has decided that the organization will not send delegates to the projected new Central Political Council, it was announced today.

The organization is the largest and most powerful civilian group in the areas under the jurisdiction of the "Reformed Government."

The Central Political Council will be the centre unit of the new Central Government of China which will be formed under Mr. Wang Ching-wei.

In accordance with its campaign to assist in the establishment of a new order in East Asia, the Ta Min Hui decided to organize two new departments, the Social Work Department and the Social Survey Department. Other departments in the organization are General Affairs, Organization, Pacification and Enlightenment.

The organization recently received Maj.-Gen. Takayoshi Matsumuro as its chief adviser.—Domei.



Gen. Chiang Kai-shek Inspects His Officers

Hidden behind the terminology "somewhere at the Chinese front," borrowed from the European war communiques, General Chiang Kai-shek is seen inspecting a group of his officers. This is the most recent picture of the Generalissimo.

Chekiang Refugees Flee to Shanghai

Fighting Begins to Show Effects; New Year's Joss Paper Dearer

Military operations in East Chekiang, where the Japanese have secured landing by occupying Siaoshan, not far away from Shaoshing, the famous wine-producing district, are affecting Shanghai in many ways especially in regard to its position as a haven for war refugees. While the city is already over-crowded and the situation is beginning to be relieved by the reopening of Nantao, the war in Chekiang is driving many refugees to Shanghai from affected Chekiang districts.

When the Tembien, of the Chinese Italian Navigation Company, returned here on Sunday after much delay, it carried more than 3,000 natives of Chekiang. Many more refugees are expected to arrive in the next few days as the same boat has left for Chinghai, riverport gateway to Ningpo with about 3,000 passengers aboard. These passengers have gone to their native districts for the purpose of taking their relatives to Shanghai, it is reported.

The most anxious Chinese in Shanghai today are natives of Wenchow who, despite the restrictions laid down by officials and shipping firms, are requesting passage to their native district also for the purpose of taking relatives to Shanghai from the danger zone. A German boat has returned here from Ningpo and is expected to sail again to the Chekiang district on February 2. Before it sails, however, passengers have booked the boat almost fully. Local shipping firms are reluctant to take passengers when their boats leave here for Wenchow but Wenchow natives are demanding passenger booking.

Chekiang Products Increase in Price

Numerous Chekiang products cannot be obtained by Shanghai as a result of the operations and in view of this, prices have gone up considerably. Affecting the superstitious Chinese during the Lunar New Year period when worshipping is the order of the day, is the increase of price of joss paper which comes from Chekiang. Wood fuel, charcoal and wine have increased also. The prices of the Fuyang and Wenchow paper have increased.

Rich people are sending cash to Shanghai from affected Chekiang districts despite the fact that idle money here has been blamed by the Chinese press for all speculation and financial troubles. It is reported that during the past few days more than $2,000,000 has been remitted here by rich people in Ningpo and Shaoshing mostly through native banks. Salt and cocoon merchants in threatened districts alone have remitted more than $1,000,000. People in Wenchow, Lishui and other districts are expected to follow the lead. One report states that it is difficult for the provincial authorities to prevent them from sending money to Shanghai because merchants have done so on the pretext of settling their Lunar New year accounts.

Ukrainian Volunteers For Finland

Nationalist Leader Said To Be in Helsinki

Paris, Jan. 30.

According to Ukrainian sources, Professor Szulgyn, President of the National Ukrainian Committee and former Foreign Minister of the Ukrainian Government established by General Petlura during the Russian Revolution, has arrived at Helsinki.

Professor Szulgyn is reported to have been organizing a Ukrainian volunteer corps, which will be incorporated in the Finnish Army.

It is also reported that several Ukrainian nationalist leaders, arrested in September at Lwow, have been transferred to a prison at Kiev and will be charged with "accepting financial aid from Germany for the support of the national Ukrainian movement."—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Mr. Edward Stephen Harkness

New York, Jan. 29.

Mr. Edward Stephen Harkness, multi-millionaire and noted philanthropist, died here today at the age of 66 years. He was Director of the Southern Pacific Co., New York Central Railroad, Michigan Central Railroad, and three other railway companies. He also held the post of trustee of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Presbyterian Hospital and the New York Public Library.

In 1897, Mr. Harkness graduated from Yale University as Bachelor of Arts, and became Master of Arts in 1925. Next year, St. Andrews University, Scotland, awarded him the degree of Doctor of Laws. The same degree was conferred on him by Columbia University in 1928.—Reuter.

Train Wreck Deaths Total 176

Sixty-nine Injured in Japanese Smash

Osaka, Jan. 30.

Casualties in a suburban train wreck here yesterday morning totalled 176 dead and 69 injured, of whom 58 are in a serious condition, according to figures announced late last night.

The disaster was attributed to premature closing of a switch while one car of the three-car gasoline-driven train was passing it.

A survivor of the accident said the three cars became a blazing furnace five minutes after the train hurtled off the rails and overturned near the Ajikawaguchi Station in the factory district here at 7.20 o'clock.

A few lucky passengers managed to squirm through the window on the conductor's platform while some others smashed windows in the body of the coaches and crawled to safety.

Victims of the train crash, one of the most disastrous in Japan in recent years, were workmen on the way to their jobs in the factory area during the morning rush hour. Some of them were women.—Domei.

Ice-Breaker Returns After Two Years Adrift

Moscow, Jan. 30.

After drifting for two years, three months and sixteen days amid North Polar ice, the Soviet ice-breaker Sedov arrived at Murmansk today, accompanied by the ice-breaker Josef Stalin, flagship of the Soviet Arctic fleet, which went to her aid. Murmansk was floodlit with searchlights in honour of the Sedov's crew, who were given a popular welcome.—Reuter.

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Wang Denounced "Traitor"

Soviet Press Alleged Aim Of Japan to Dominate This Country Completely

Moscow, Jan. 30.

"Traitor Wang Ching-wei" is denounced by "Pravda," the official newspaper, which states the object of his agreement with Japan is to place China in a position of complete subservience to Japan.

The fact that the question of formation of a government by Wang Ching-wei has been resurrected indicates the ever-increasing difficulties Japan is encountering in China, it is commented.

The newspaper "Izvestia," studying the economic position of Japan, gives a long account of the strain of war on the Japanese agricultural system, emphasizes Japan's lack of foreign exchange and raw material, and her shrinking foreign trade.

Observers here are wondering if there is any connection between the anti-Japanese articles and the present trade talks. The Japanese, it is generally believed, are holding out for the cessation of Soviet aid to General Chiang Kai-shek, and recognition of some puppet government.

Commercially Japan is reported to be offering Russia piece-goods in exchange for oil, timber and iron ore. Negotiations, it is learned, are not very far advanced.—Reuter.

Egypt Increases Tax On Tea Import

Cairo, Jan. 29.

Budgetary deficit today was given as the reason for the newly decreed increase in tax on tea imports into Egypt.—Havas.

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Japan Imports Coal Relieve Shortage

Contracts for Supplies From India, Vancouver Have Been Concluded

Tokyo, Jan. 28.

It is learned that the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Company has been able to conclude a deal with a firm in Calcutta for the importation of 50,000 tons of coal, while the Mitsubishi Shoji Company has assured a supply of 50,000 tons from Vancouver. If necessary, a collier will be chartered to fetch the coal.

It may not be necessary to import all the coal which has been thus secured, as the Mitsui Mining, the Mitsubishi Mining and other companies offered the Commerce and Industry Minister Mr. Ginjiro Fujiwara a supply of 160,000 tons during February.

Electric Power

The electric power shortage is expected to be greatly moderated by this additional coal supply.

Meanwhile, the people in the Kwansai district did their best to cope with the temporary shortage of power and light which is not expected to last after the end of this month. Most elevators in the large Osaka department stores stopped running on Thursday and "momme candles", the largest in the country were used to light up the sales counters, as the large consumers of power in the city had their power supply cut down by 66 per cent.

Power Company Reform

Communications Ministry officials are busily considering plans for the reform of the Japan Electric Power Generation and Transmission Company, a reform necessitated, says the Asahi, by the "blunder" of the company in failing to secure enough coal to prevent the present crisis from developing.

The task of obtaining coal from large concerns such as the Mitsui and Mitsubishi interests called for political tactics and a lot of business manœuvring says the paper, claiming that in that line the officials of the electric company have proved to be practically powerless. The Asahi further understands that the plan considered by the authorities involves an extensive shift of the aforesaid officials.

Labour Question

The Welfare Ministry is also watching the situation closely in order to minimize the adverse effects of the restrictions of electric power on salaried people. Instructions have been sent to prefectural governors to make arrangements with employers in their respective prefectures and see if the employers would be able to advance allowances to the laid-off workers, amounting to 60 per cent. of the labourers' wages during the temporary stoppage of some factories. These measures would apply only to those prefectures where the power supply has been cut by more than 20 per cent.

Foreign Coal

Importation of foreign coal was allowed as an emergency measure to remedy the shortage of coal and electric power following a decision taken by the Cabinet a week ago.

It was also announced that the authorities would, for the present, postpone the invocation of compulsory measures since coal producers, after a lengthy deliberation with the Commerce and Industry Minister, have agreed to increase their deliveries to electric power plants.

Stocks

It is understood that 160,000 tons of coal stocked in different parts of Japan would be made available by their owners, while 100,000 tons would be imported from Tsingtao, Sakhalin, and Manchoukuo. This would make good the shortage for January and February, while the rainy season beginning in March, would give more hydro-electric power.

As for the import of foreign coal, necessary permits were granted by the Finance Minister in accordance with the regulations of exchange control.—Havas.

Belgians Intern Two British Soldiers

Brussels, Jan. 30.

Belgian authorities have interned two British soldiers who crossed the frontier by mistake, it is reported from Rolleghem.

The men were found by a shopkeeper asleep in a shop. They were numb with cold, and it took a considerable time to revive them. They had lost their way, the two soldiers declared, and they did not know they had crossed the frontier.—Reuter.

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IN MEMORIAM

In affectionate remembrance of MATTHEW EDWARD HOWEY WELLS, dearly beloved husband of Christina G. Wells and father of Matthew E. H. Wells, who passed away on January 31, 1937, at the War Memorial Hospital, Hongkong. -1907

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The relatives of the late Mr. JOHN GILPIN MANLEY wish to thank all friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes received in their recent bereavement. 10984

IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

M. DALADIER'S SPEECH

It may be true that M. Daladier, Prime Minister of France, is noted for his reticence, but it is also a fact that when he does speak, he really has something very pertinent to say, as witness his nation-wide broadcast on Monday night. The enslavement of the German people by their Nazi masters, and the enslavement of other peoples to the German slaves is what the world has been witnessing these last two years. Austria, Bohemia, Moravia, Slovakia and Poland have been reduced to nothing but lands of despair, and their people compelled to live the most miserable of lives. If corroboration were wanted of this statement it is to be found in the report which has been prepared by the Roman Catholic Church for submission to the Pope, in which it is alleged that beating, torturing and murdering of priests in Poland and a barbaric campaign for the extermination of the Poles generally are being carried on. These reports have been officially described in Berlin as "sheerest invention," but if there has to be any doubt as to who is telling the truth the Holy Church is more likely to be believed than the officials of the Reich, who have been strangers to the truth for so long a time that they probably cannot recognize it when they see it. The world at large does not know the whole tale of what is going on in the territories conquered by the Nazis. It does know of Poles forced to labour for their enemy, of people dispossessed of their homes in order that the Germans forcibly evacuated from the Baltic States shall be accommodated, of mass deportations of subjugated peoples, and the general ruthlessness of men whose code knows nothing of mercy to the defeated but only of cruelty, brutishness, and deceit. This campaign in Poland against the Roman Catholic Church is no mere accidental outcropping of what has occurred of late; it is part and parcel of a scheme to destroy the great moral force which must be inevitably opposed to the immorality of the Nazi system, and is just as carefully thought out as Herr Hitler's progress towards the present war.

In view of the naked hostility which the Nazis display towards the Church there are some who wonder just how much longer the Vatican will maintain its present neutrality. It sees reared against it all the carefully organized forces of evil which the German leaders have determined to impose upon the world, and the question is often asked as to when the Roman Catholic Church will avail itself of the enormously potent moral weapons which it has in its armoury. That is a matter for the Pope to decide, though he will probably realize that if the democracies ever go down in defeat the very existence of the Church itself is threatened. M. Daladier reaffirmed the solidarity existing between the Allies, which the Reich would so dearly like to destroy. All attempts have failed up to the present, and there is little likelihood of others in the future being any the more successful, so long as they continue to present to the world at large the prospect of what would happen were the Allies ever to permit of a German victory. It must be clearly understood that the Nazis contemplate in the event of victory nothing so comparatively innocuous as the much condemned Versailles Treaty. Their scheme involves the complete, and utter subjugation of the democracies in exactly the same way as they have subjugated, temporarily, it is hoped, those countries unfortunate enough to be neighbours of Germany. That is what the Allies are facing; the imposition of a system of slavery to a gang of men who fancy they are in some mysterious way superior to the ordinary run of humanity. It is as well to remember these things in the light of the whispering campaign whereby German propaganda is being carried on. To each class of people a different story is told. The wealthy are informed that they will lose their riches if the war goes on, the workers are told this is merely a war of the rich,—parenthetically it may be remarked that this is so singularly true in view of the enormous wealth the Nazi leaders are known to have accumulated,—intellectuals and artists are threatened with the destruction of all that is beautiful, and indeed the whole system involves appeals to the weaker side of humanity and its fear of losing that which it holds most dear. That will be lost in any event should Germany win this war.

M. Daladier makes a good point when he says that Germany by her very system of Government has already lost the moral battle in this present war, but material victory has still to be won. He has not committed the mistake of under-rating the great strength of the enemy, as being one of the most formidable in the world. The Allies are fortunately possessed of enormous reserves, and have facilities for adding to them which are denied to Germany. That, together with the inspiration of a voluntary discipline which is one of the proud characteristics of the democracies, is a favourable augury for the future, and a guarantee that the Allied conception of life will not be destroyed by a victorious Reich. It is only necessary to contrast the wretched lives of the Germans under their Nazi masters, that denial of personal freedom and the reduction of the average German to a mere automaton conformable in all things to the wills of evil men, with the freedom which democracy has always given mankind to work out its destiny in individual freedom, to realize what Nazism would mean to humanity were it able to run riot over the whole world in accordance with the expressed ambitions of its leaders. Mankind as the slaves of the helots of the Nazis, whose system of government costs Germany something in the neighbourhood of £140,000,000 per annum, would be condemned to the brutish existence of mere labouring animals. It is that against which the Allies are fighting. It is for the survival of all that is good in the system of human society that arms have been taken up in response to the Nazi challenge, and it is for that reason that appeals for peace have been rejected, because of a determination that this evil conception of the Nazi leaders shall be wiped out once and for all. No Allied statesman has underestimated the huge effort which will be necessary to shake off the threat of the German yoke over all Europe. It will require all the energies of the Allies to do so, but the will is there, and the readiness to make the necessary sacrifices to ensure that the rule of brutally, criminal men shall be destroyed, not only for the sake of the rest of Europe but also for that of the German people on whom this evil thing has battened.

Winter Comes

The occurrence of huge sunspots easily perceptible to the human eye and violent changes of weather on this globe of ours have long been accepted as interrelated. It is within the purview of the astronomer to explain the relationship if it exists, but to the layman, accustomed to homely meteorological principles such as the red sky at night and the red sky in the morning, the relationship is established. Reference was made in this journal recently by readers who observed sunspots and whose evidence was confirmed by more scientific observation by Japanese astronomers. Leaving the scientific aspect to the scientists, there is no doubt that the world is experiencing one of the worst winters in decades. Excluding the Sahara, or the boiling heat areas of the Persian Gulf where the highest temperatures are reputedly recorded, extreme degrees of cold are reported all over the world, and not the least in Britain and Europe, well within the temperate zones. A century's precedent is quoted in Britain where a serious dislocation of traffic has occurred owing to an unusual degree of cold. Throughout Europe, a similar condition exists, while in Finland a bitter winter has proved the best ally of this gallant little country in its defence against the Soviet invaders. The United States has not been immune, extreme cold being recently registered in New York and other parts of the country, while, travelling around the world, Japan has similar reports to make, some hundreds of schools being closed in one area owing to winter rigours. It snowed in Shanghai yesterday and, although traditionally it paves an auspicious path in Chinese ideas to the entrance of the New Year, it had nothing of the severity which has been encountered in a place like Hangchow, much farther south than Shanghai, where deep snowfall has occurred. In North China, winter conditions are reported to be unchanged from other years but at Chefoo a bitter season has set in and a large part of the inner harbour is frozen solid, compelling merchant ships to anchor outside. It is not so many years ago that rickshaws, carts and even motor trucks could use the ice at Chefoo but no such point of extremity has been reached at that port yet.

Razor Sharpening

The enquiry published in the correspondence columns of this journal a few days ago asking whether it was possible to have safety-razor blades sharpened in Shanghai has brought forth the usual advice as to how shavers can sharpen their blades for themselves. There are on the market several very good devices for honing and stropping razor blades, which are so effective that blades do excellent service for weeks on end. Much of course depends upon the texture of the beard which has to be shaved daily, but there is no doubt that some of the sharpening contraptions are remarkably efficient and in a comparatively short while pay for themselves. There are some men who find the use of the inside of a glass as a means of keeping a good edge on the blade answer their purpose remarkably well, but there are others who do not, while specially prepared and shaped stones have at times appeared on the market to fulfil the same purpose not always with complete success. Some years ago there was a razor blade sharpening concern situated in Szechuen Road close to the Y.M.C.A. which was possessed of a machine which dealt with a number of blades at a time. What success it had his history does not say, but those were times when the cost of the blades was very much smaller than it is now, and possibly its services were not so much in demand as they appear to be at the present time. The correspondent who wrote the original enquiry will doubtless be happy to know that there is in Shanghai a concern which devotes itself amongst other things to sharpening safety razor blades. He will in due course receive a list of the prices charged. The name of the firm is not published here for obviously if they wish to push their business at what appears to be an advantageous time now is the chance to advertise. There is a growing impression that Shanghai could just about supply everybody's needs if the activities of various firms in the city were known, but some of them apparently prefer to blush unseen, and in doing so miss the business which should normally be theirs.

A Country Diary

Weihaiwei, Jan. 16.—My previous observations of Turkeys have been mainly confined to seeing them hanging up in a poulterer's window at Christmas time looking very naked and ashamed, while my experience of what we might call "Turkey on the hoof" has been almost *nil*: it is therefore not surprising that I have taken some interest in the birds in this garden and, in particular, in the white King Gobbler....who recently acquired a peculiar habit. While I sat in the living-room after lunch he came daily (followed by the whole family, including Captain X.) and tapped on the glass of the French window as if demanding admittance....to be chased away regularly by the gardener who realized that a family of Turkeys were not most desirable guests in a well-kept verandah. Thinking of this peculiar behaviour, I was reminded of an unusual story told by Sir Ronald Storrs in the accurate and painstaking account of his diplomatic career which he called "Orientations." In the most matter-of-fact manner he recounts how his friend T. E. Lawrence (of Arabia)—retired from his career as Aircraftsman Shaw to a cottage in the country—was daily visited by a bird which tapped at his window: if Lawrence moved to another room the bird followed and tapped again at the next window: this evidently got on Lawrence's highly-strung nerves and caused him considerable irritation: so a friend staying with him waited until he went out on his beloved motor-bicycle one day, and shot the bird. And at that precise moment Lawrence, miles away, shot over his handlebars and met instant death: Sir Ronald makes no comment and, not being superstitious, regarded it merely as a coincidence. Thinking this over, I said to my hostess the other day, "are you going to kill that white Turkey?"; to which she replied, "certainly not, he is much too handsome." So I said, "quite right, I agree with you"....and if I managed to say it quite calmly it is because I, too, am not superstitious. But I wonder?

IN PARENTHESIS

Short Weight

THE little girl at her first party refused a second helping of icecream with obvious reluctance.

"Mother told me to say 'No, thank you'," replied the child politely, "but I don't think she knew how small the helpings were going to be."

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Dreams of Home

A RECRUIT arrived home on short leave as soon as he entered the house he ran upstairs and came down again almost as quickly.

"What on earth did you do that for?" said his mother.

"I just wanted to see what a bed looks like," he answered.

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Gracie Wins

THE little evacuee was talking in the Lancashire dialect.

"Ronnie,"' remonstrated his hostess, "you must learn to speak properly. Listen to the man who gives the news out on the wireless and speak like he does."

"Aw, 'im,' said the little lad scornfully, "ah doan't want ter talk lahk 'im, ah want to talk lahk Gracie Fields"

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Two Can Play

THE sergeant was trying to make a good impression on the young militiaman. "There will be no shouting of orders," he said. "Instead, I will beckon to you with my finger and that means I want you."

"Sarg," called out the Cockney recruit, "you're a man after me own 'eart, 'cos when I shakes me 'cad it means I ain't coming."

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Stork Had Long Bill

A SOLDIER'S wife writes that a corporal was given leave from the Front to visit his wife, who had just had a baby.

"So the stork has visited your home, eh?" a friend remarked.

The proud father grinned, but replied thoughtfully, "Well, I don't know about it's being a stork, but it surely had a long bill."

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On the Curb

THE recruit was being given his first riding lesson. It was a cold morning, and the horse was frisky.

This upset the recruit, who was getting worried, when the sergeant instructor cried out, "Ride him on the curb, sonny!"

The recruit, thinking he meant the pavement kerb, replied: "I can't, sergeant. It's taking me all my time to keep him on the road."

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On the "Hot Seat"

CINEMA actress Joan Crawford swears this story is true: Douglas Fairbanks, sen., an inveterate practical joker, always had a "hot seat" on the set, a chair electrically-wired to give a shock to the unsuspecting visitor. One day a party arrived at the studio, among them a pretty young woman thrilled to be there. She sat in the "hot seat," so Doug. signaled to the electricians not to turn on the current; they misunderstood, turned it on. The girl didn't move; they gave her a few more volts; still she didn't move. Mystified, they asked her if she didn't feel anything. "Yes," she said, "I feel tingly all over, but I suppose one always feels like that when one sees movie stars!"

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 33.0	Max. 38.0
Same date, 1939	Min. 40.5	Max. 49.0

Rainfall .32 (Snow melting)

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. Nil.	Max. Nil.
Same date, 1939	Min. 41.0	Max. 49.1

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 29th:—Siberian anticyclone over China. Depression crossing the Eastern Sea eastward. Cloudy and cold weather with strong monsoon along the China Coast.

State on the morning of the 30th:—Overcast and cold weather with snow, North-easterly wind. Normal and falling pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy, fine and very cold weather with strong northerly winds around Shantung. Overcast and cold with snow or sleet getting cloudy with strong monsoon over our regions and the Eastern Sea. —Siccawei Observatory.

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France Warned Against Slavery Under Nazis

M. Daladier Denounces Ruthless Oppression Of People Vanquished by Reich; Moscow Seen In True Colours; Home Front Must Keep Faith

Paris, Jan. 29.

"WE must save freedom and the dignity of the human race from the insane people reigning in Berlin who wish to create a world of masters-and-slaves," the French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, declared tonight in a nationwide radio address notable for its pungency and strength. He began his speech at 10 p.m. sharp. Speaking firmly in a controlled voice, he conjured up the spectre of German domination in Austria, Czechoslovakia and the western portion of Nazi-overridden Poland. "Austria, Bohemia and Moravia, Slovakia and Poland today are nothing but lands of despair," he declared, "where people are compelled to lead most miserable lives."

The Premier, whose speech was held all the more notable because of his usual reticence, went on to deal with the hydra of Communism in France and asserted the French Government is not against the principles of Communism as applied to labour before the war, but is against Communists who insisted on taking orders from Moscow and Berlin.

Communism today, he asserted, no longer is Communism as set forth in the works of its founders. Since the signature on August 23, 1939, of the Nazi-Red non-aggression pact, the Communism preached in Moscow shed its false colours and took on its own true tint.

"Our enemy hoped at first to oppose Frenchmen against Frenchmen," M. Daladier accused. "They thought they might enrol liege-men under the red flag with the swastika on it, and workers under the red flag with the hammer and sickle. But in September, when the Soviet Army invaded Poland, the mask fell. The two flags became but one, the flag of a barbaric invasion, of an onrush on all lands where there is wealth to be seized and men to enslave.

"The French Government has already hit out against foreign agents and will not cease to wage a battle without mercy on them. But it does not want to become a Government of revenge or political tendencies. It is the Government of France. If it struck against the Communists, it was because in remaining under the orders of Moscow they became subject to orders from Berlin.

"But the Government stretched out a helping hand to all those who followed the Communist Party yet again find today the true tradition of French workers, the tradition that is national and patriotic.

"It was legitimate to be Communist and wish to unite France and Russia for the defence of peace," the Premier stressed. "It was also legitimate to want rapprochement with Germany. But," he asserted with slow emphasis, "in present circumstances; it is a crime to remain under the orders of Berlin or Moscow. It is only against this crime that we are striking and will strike without pity."

"Whispering Propaganda"

The Premier next referred to German propaganda and its foredoomed efforts to turn Frenchmen against their own people, to divide France and Britain, and seek to shatter French determination and confidence.

"It is," he said, describing German tactics, "what the German technicians call 'whispering propaganda.' To the wealthy, it says, 'You will lose your money,' to the labourers, 'This war is a war of the rich,' to the intellectuals and artists, 'All that you love is threatened with destruction,' to the one who enjoys luxury, 'A few months more and you will have to bow under hard restrictions,' to the believer, 'How mean your faith if you accept this massacre!' and to the adventurer, 'A man like you can find a warm place in your fatherland's calamities.'

"Those who talk like this, through the voices of accomplices who are sometimes paid and sometimes innocent, are the same men who destroyed and confiscated all the wealth they could lay their hands on, who made slaves of the working class, ended all intellectual freedom, imposed on milli-terrible privations, and who, out of massacre, made the laws of their Government.

"Nazi domination is not only the displacement of power to impose the domination of one nation. The Nazis," M. Daladier declared, "systematically wipe out all the vanquished.

Vanquished "Slaves of Slaves"

"Under their domination, in the midst of peoples which were free, is being created a world of masters and slaves which is the very image of Germany herself. The workers and peasants of Germany are slaves to their Nazi masters, but the workers and peasants of Bohemia and Poland have become the slaves of slaves."

While he declared that Germany by her very system of government already has lost the moral battle in the present war, Premier Daladier nevertheless drew attention to the material strength of Germany.

"This is one of the most formidable in the world," he stated frankly. "But thanks to our labour and discipline," he added, "we will win this conflict, which threatens not only the existence of nations, but our whole conception of life.

"France is serene. . .Like her ally Great Britain, France is not anguished at the thought of the future because she is certain of victory. The great fear that cloaks Europe stops at our frontiers at the barbed wire

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Poles, Czechs Feel Nazi Repression

Leaders Put to Death; "Purge" in Bohemia and Moravia Continuing

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Paris, Jan. 30.

A total of 18,000 Polish leaders, from all classes, it is estimated, have been put to death by Nazis in German-occupied Poland, according to an official report by the Polish Government. The report alleges Germany's aim is the "systematic extermination of the Polish population in western Poland," and adds that the plan is being carried out by men of the German Army and Gestapo.—Reuter.

Noted Professor Dies in Camp

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.

Professor Michal Siedlecki, well-known Polish zoologist, has died in a concentration camp at Sachsenhausen, according to a message received. Professor Siedlecki was 66 years of age. He was professor of zoology at Kracow University.—Reuter.

Nazis "Purge" Czechs

Budapest, Jan. 29.

German authorities in the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia relentlessly pursue their purge of all Czechoslovaks who do so much as raise their voice against the conditions reigning in their country today, according to latest Prague reports.

The "Lidovy Noviny," Prague newspaper reports in the form of a warning what happened to a hotel owner in the Tyrol who was arrested and has all his belongings confiscated because he warned a client: "The people here have nothing to eat now and communications are so uncertain that it is difficult to reach the Tyrol.—Havas.

Aged Official Arrested

Prague, Jan. 30.

Twenty-four Czechs were arrested and placed in jail here yesterday in the first application of a new law, when they refused to raise their hats to the Nazi swastika.

Those arrested were part of a crowd in Wenceslaus Square when 2,000 storm troopers marched through. A former Republican Government official, who is 74 years old, was arrested yesterday on suspicion of having connection with a secret group of oppositionists.

It was learned that the former Czech Chief of General Staff, General Neumann, fled to France with the former controller of prices. Since the beginning of the war 20 more or less important Czechs, mostly officers, have fled the country.—United Press.

Polish Priest Executed

Berlin, Jan. 30.

The execution of a Polish priest after court-martial on charges of engaging in military activity was officially announced here last night.—United Press.

U.S. Comment on Free Speech in Britain

Contrast with Repressive Measures in Germany

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

New York, Jan. 30.

The contrast, revealed by the action of British Fascists, who were permitted to heckle Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, during his speech in the Free Trade Hall at Manchester on Saturday, with the position of Germans, who are forbidden to listen to foreign broadcasts, is commented on by the "New York Herald-Tribune."

"The British believe in free speech and respect the power of words, but are not afraid of them" the newspaper states. "The Nazis do not respect words, but are terrified of the magic properties they themselves have assigned them. With death or the penetentiary hanging over the Germans, they are apparently still listening in. Every bit of Allied propaganda which gets through must be twice as effective because of the Nazi regime's horror of it," the "Herald-Tribune" concludes.—Reuter.

Sir William Seeds Will Return to Moscow

London, Jan. 30.

Reuter learns that Sir William Seeds, British Ambassador to Russia, is likely to return to his post during the coming month. Sir William has been on short leave in England, and has been absent from the Soviet Union since the new year.—Reuter.

Japan Demands Return of 21 Seized Germans

British Envoy Again Sees Gaimusho Head On Asama Maru Affair

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

The return of the 21 Germans taken from the Asama Maru was again demanded by the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, when he interviewed the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, this afternoon.

Such action by the British authorities, he added, was essential for a settlement of the incident.

The talk, which took place at the official residence of the Foreign Minister, lasted 2½ hours, from 4 to 6.30 p.m., during which every angle of the matter was discussed.

According to the spokesman of the Foreign Office, a further discussion will take place tomorrow.

"It was agreed," he added, "that the British Note should not be immediately published. The Japanese Government is, meanwhile, preparing a considered reply."

One of the objects of the interview today was to forestall a possible attack against the Government on the reassembly of the Diet on Thursday.

According to the "Kokumin Shimbun," the British reply to Japanese representatives over the incident was less conciliatory than expected.

The newspaper stresses the seeming discrepancy between the Foreign Minister's viewpoint and public opinion. According to the "Kokumin Shimbun," the public wish for surrender of the Germans, a guarantee against recurrence of such an incident, and a formal apology.

The "Asahi Shimbun" says Britain's international law standpoint over the Asama Maru affair is untenable.

Great Britain's attempt to emphasize unnecessarily a unilateral viewpoint and to escape from responsibility, is very undesirable from the standpoint of attempts to foster friendly Anglo-Japanese relations, the "Asahi Shimbun" adds.—Reuter.

Notes Not Published

London, Jan. 29.

The Asama Maru incident appears certain to re-assume serious proportions and its complications are responsible for non-publication this morning of the British Note of reply to original Japanese communications, it was stated here today.

As previously reported the British Note dealt exclusively with the legal aspects of the case and did not touch upon the future activities of the Royal Navy.

Because of continued Japanese reactions to the incident, London and Tokyo agreed not to publish the Note because it did not refer to efforts made by both countries to solve all the problems involved.

The two Governments, according to British political quarters, agreed to wait for favourable results from their parleys before publishing the severely simple British Note.

If it were made public in its present form the British answer could be interpreted in a negative sense, it was pointed out, and as closing the door to discussions. In fact it should not be taken in this sense, however, British quarters stressed.

Negotiations now are continuing both here and in Tokyo with a view to find an equitable formula not only to settle the Asama Maru incident, but to be applied to any similar affairs in the future.

Until the present, Government circles here have voiced high hopes and even semi-certainty that a satisfactory settlement will be achieved.

No More Germans

It was believed generally in London tonight that the Japanese Government would advise Japanese steamship firms to accept as passengers no more Germans of military age. The British Government then would instruct the navy not to board Japanese ships in the manner the Asama Maru was boarded.

While such a solution was seen to be in the offing, it appeared that the Japanese Government would wish to "lessen the blow alleged to have been struck against her prestige" by demanding release of the 21 Germans taken from the Asama Maru.

Authoritative British quarters declared they hoped Japan would not insist on this point, because it does not seem possible that the British Government would comply with such a demand.

"It is as yet impossible to say," these circles indicated, "whether a compromise will be found, for instance, in the suggestion of certain Japanese circles that the German sailors captured should be returned to Japan, while the officers should be held.

"It may be said, however, that persistent anti-British manifestations in Japan only prolong and complicate the affair and that its solution is not as near as it was originally believed to be.

"Nevertheless, it is believed," the same quarters concluded, "that an amicable solution finally will be found."—Havas.

U.S. Contention Quoted

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

America's interpretation of international law during the World War was used as an example by the "Asahi Shimbun" today in its editorial comments on the Asama Maru case.

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Chinese Commanders, Civic Heads Join In Denouncing Wang Ching-wei

Telegrams Pour Into Chungking; War of Resistance Will Not Be Affected, Military Official Says

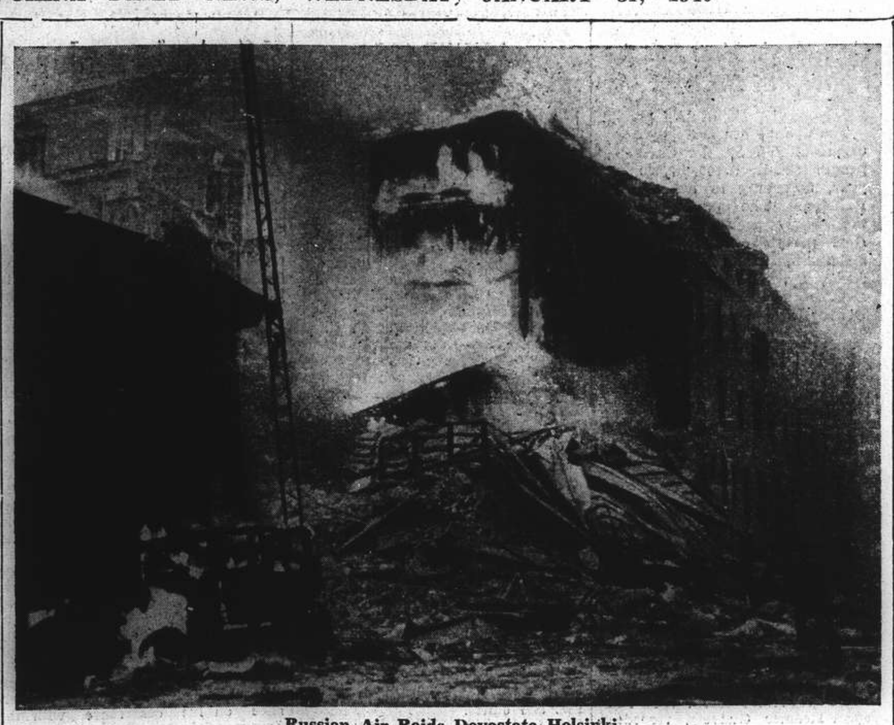
Chungking, Jan. 30.

Telegrams from various Chinese military commanders and high provincial officials continue to pour in, denouncing Mr. Wang Ching-wei's peace movement, according to official Chinese circles here.

The latest telegrams received, they say, are from General Ku Chu-tung, commanding the Chinese forces in Kiangsu and Anhwei on the south bank of the Yangtze River; General Huang Shao-hsiung, Governor of Chekiang; General Chen Yi, Governor of Fukien; General Hsiung Shih-hui, Governor of Kiangsi; General Liu Wen-hui, Governor of Sikong; General Han Teh-ching; Governor of Kiangsu and General Tang Shih-tsun, Commander of the Szechuen forces at the front.

A military official in the south-eastern provinces in a telegram is stated to have declared: "Whatever the agreement concluded between Wang Ching-wei and the Japanese, it can have no effect on the Chinese war of resistance, which will be carried on vigorously under the leadership of General Chiang Kai-shek."

In a statement, General Liu Wen-hui, Governor of Sikong, is said to have asserted firstly, that since Mr. Wang Ching-wei had been expelled from the Kuomintang, his action could have no legal or moral value, and secondly, that at a time of national crisis all Chinese, whether at the front or in the rear, must give united support to the Government's policy of resistance.—Reuter.



Russian Air Raids Devastate Helsinki

Burning buildings and wreckage strewn in the streets of Helsinki, capital of Finland, after one of the recent air raids.

Soviet Planes Bomb Hospitals, Machine-Gun Civilians

Air Attacks Intensified; Bombs Said to Be of German Origin; Finnish Morale May Collapse

With Finns on Karelian Front, Jan. 30.

THIRTY persons were killed and fifty were wounded during a terrific bombing raid carried out by Russian planes over Aabo yesterday. The raid was the worst anywhere since the bombing of Helsinki during the first days of the war. Many fires were started by the bombs. Both explosive and incendiary bombs were used.

Russian bombers scored a direct hit on a Red Cross military hospital and killed nineteen soldiers and four women. Most of the casualties were wounded soldiers. Of thirty persons in the hospital only seven were saved. The dead were incinerated in the hospital, which burst into flames as soon as it was struck. Although the hospital prominently displayed Red Cross markings, the raiders swooped low and dropped a bomb through the centre of the building.

The United Press correspondent reached the scene shortly after the bombing. He says the building, about 200 feet long, was burning like a furnace, lighting up the whole countryside. Splotches of blood flecked the snow. All efforts to retrieve the bodies of those trapped in the building failed. The hospital stood on the outskirts of a small village near the front and there is no military objective anywhere near the village, which is merely a tiny hamlet.

The force of the explosion blew debris a hundred yards. It was the sixth hospital bombed by Red bombers since the beginning of the war. The Finns said the attack was "no doubt deliberate."

Civilians were machine-gunned during the raids, it was claimed. A funeral procession was strafed by Red planes diving low over the heads of the mourners, it was reported.

On the Isthmus front here yesterday, the Finns used loudspeakers to urge the Russians to surrender. "We have bread, butter, milk and soup," the Finns called over the speakers. One Russian arrived at the Finnish lines and deposited his gun. The moment the loudspeakers started, he declared, the political commissars ordered all the troops into dugouts.—United Press.

Finns May Collapse

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.

Scandinavian correspondents in Finland seem generally more pessimistic today than previously, declaring that the nerves of the Finns may soon break down.

The correspondent of the "National Tidende" says that the bringing down of fifteen Russian planes yesterday is attributed to foreign help. The amount of war material so far received, he adds, is insufficient, and the Finns will break down if further help is not soon forthcoming.

A Danish volunteer in Finland who has just returned to Demark, declares that experts have established that the bombs dropped in a Soviet air raid on a Danish volunteer camp in Finland last week were of German origin.—Reuter.

All Red Thrusts Frustrated

Helsinki, Jan. 30.

Approximately 800 Russians were killed and 160 were taken prisoner north-east of Lake Ladoga after a severe battle on Sunday, a Finnish war communique said last night.

Russian troops attacked in the Aittojoki sector but were repulsed, the communique said. "The enemy left over 450 dead on the field," it claimed.

Finnish anti-aircraft batteries shot down a Soviet bomber at Pasila in the immediate outskirts of Helsinki during the fourth air alarm today, the communique said.

The most reliable estimates claim that thus far during the current offensive there have been 6,500 Russians killed and over 20,000 wounded—an estimated 3,000 wounded men froze to death.—United Press.

Soviet Positions Captured

Helsinki, Jan. 30.

All Soviet attacks north-east of Lake Ladoga are reported by the Finns to have been repulsed after intense fighting. Some Soviet supporting positions are also said to have been captured. The Finns also claim to have destroyed several tanks and captured some artillery and machine-guns. Destruction of a Soviet transport column, consisting of 100 horses, is reported.

The Russian air force was active yesterday, attacking the districts of Kotka, Lovisa, Hango, Rauma and Hrynsalmi. Helsinki had four air raid warnings during the day, but no bombs were dropped on the city, raiders being held off by anti-aircraft fire.

Finnish warplanes bombed Soviet concentration points and columns of troops.

Mr. A. Kenny, British press attache from Helsinki, and Mr. S. Silanders, British Vice-Consul at Abo, were among those caught in the Abo raids,

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West Front Freezes In New Cold Wave

West Scotland Suffers Severe Winter; Japan Feels Brunt of Storms

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 30.

Freezing conditions have returned to the Western Front, arresting the thaw which started on Friday. Prospects of a real thaw appeared small last night. Reuter's special correspondent with the British Expeditionary Forces says that ground conditions are so bad that but for the fact that railways are still running, the area would be near isolation.

The west of Scotland has experienced its severest weather for half a century. Glasgow had no southward connection with London today. Trains from the south were temporarily reported "lost."

Three trains which left Scotland the previous night were traced in the early hours of yesterday morning. One of them, a newspaper train, was stranded between Carlisle and Beattock. Another train, which left Glasgow at 10 a.m., is still at Beattock, and the railway company has made arrangements to feed the passengers. It is hoped to "rescue" some of them today.

Many soldiers and sailors on leave were stranded in Glasgow, when south-bound trains were suspended.—Reuter.

Severe Winter in Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

Power companies have decided to suspend the power supply to all industrial plants in fourteen prefectures in the Kwansai area, central Japan, between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. today. Power will be continued to be supplied, however, to munition plants and public utility companies.

The shortage of coal, drought in the Osaka-Kobe area and a blizzard, which has held up freight traffic and damaged power lines, is reported to be the reason for the suspension of the supply.

The Japan Power Company, which monopolises power supplies, states that unless fresh coal supplies arrive either today or tomorrow, similar restrictions may be necessitated between January 31 and February 10.

Because of large-scale suspensions of the power supply on three past occasions, the "Asahi Shimbun" declares, some industries in the Kwansai area were completely suspended, while others were crippled. The majority of industrial plants were forced to reduce operations by one third, the newspaper concludes.—Reuter.

Korean Port Freezes Over

Mutankiang, Jan. 30.

For the first time since its opening, Rashin, the port usually ice-free in north-eastern Korea, was ice-bound, according to a telegram reaching the Mutankiang Railway Bureau today. The mercury first fell on Saturday, the telegram said.—Domei.

Tokyo Drought Continues

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

While the longest drought in 65 years continued in the Tokyo area, reports trickling along crippled communication lines today revealed that western Japan had experienced what was probably the worst blizzard in 50 years over the week-end. Deaths directly due to the record snowfall exceeded 50. Crushed under snow. 75 houses collapsed up to Saturday morning in Ishikawa prefecture, killing thirteen people and injuring three others. Five hundred houses were reported snowed under. Efforts to rescue about 30 miners buried by an avalanche over their camp near Uesho village in Fukui prefecture, yesterday morning, had been fruitless tonight.—Domei.

Civilians Taken from Sylt Air Base

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.

It is reported that train after train is leaving the German air base of Sylt, and that the Hindenburg dam which connects it with the mainland, is crowded with evacuated persons. Sylt is the largest of the North Friesian islands, and forms part of the Prussian province of Schleswig-Holstein.—Reuter.

Food Shortage Felt In Moscow

Russia Concentrating On Finnish War; Nazis Try to Profit Off Reds

London, Jan. 30.

The Germans are clearly trying to get the initiative again between Germany and Russia, which they lost in Herr von Ribbentrop's policy of "scuttle in the Baltic," writes the diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" today.

The Germans are making this change in policy, the correspondent continues, because they believe that as the Red Army is becoming more and more involved in Finland, M. Joseph Stalin is less able to resist German pressure.

Germans in Moscow refuse in private conversations to give an opinion on the Finnish campaign, but seem satisfied to see the Soviet in temporary difficulties.

Soviet leaders, the correspondent goes on, are redoubling their efforts to end the Finnish war. They are bringing up reinforcements from the Rumanian frontier which would have been used for putting very strong pressure on Rumania if the Finnish campaign had gone as expected. The southward phase of Soviet policy has been postponed, but there are signs that it is only postponed and not scrapped, he adds.

Food Scarce in Moscow

Regarding the situation in Russia, the writer says that food is scarcer in Moscow and Leningrad than for many years. Fuel is scarcer still. Bread is particularly hard to come by.

Owing to a lack of coal, "The Times" correspondent continues, there is only low gas pressure in workers' flats, making cooking all the more difficult. Bread queues are seen in the streets. This was once a regular feature of Soviet life, but one which lately was thought to have been banished.

Naturally, there is another side to the picture, he says. Heavy industry is producing armaments and machinery in great quantities. In all parts of the Soviet Union, the country's enormous resources are being tapped and exploited in quantities that override inefficiency, the correspondent concludes.—Reuter.

France Builds Powerful Near East Army

Move to Meet Any German Thrust in Balkans

Paris, Jan. 30.

France has stationed a powerful army in the Near East to meet any possible thrust in the Balkans by Germany, it is learned here.

While actual figures are not revealed, a semi-official statement says the Allies "will have sufficient men in the Near East to face any eventuality."

The purpose of this force, says the statement, is to fulfill the Allies' obligations to Turkey, Greece and Rumania, and as part of their "duty of friendship" to Yugoslavia.

It is known that France has been building up its army in Syria, under General Maxime Weygand, former head of the French General Staff.—Reuter.

R.A.F. Fighters Drive German Raiders Off East Seaboard

Several British and Neutral Ships Attacked; U-Boats Sink Neutral Vessels Without Warning

London, Jan. 30.

GERMAN aircraft yesterday made their most ambitious series of attacks on British shipping to date, it was learned when vessels reached port last night. Despite severe weather conditions and poor visibility, R.A.F. fighters engaged the raiders and drove them off at many points.

Air raid warnings, lasting from fifteen minutes to an hour, were given in seven north-east coast towns during the day. In Yorkshire warnings were sounded at a point forty miles inland, but an Air Ministry communique stated no enemy aircraft crossed the coast. In the Tyne area anti-aircraft guns opened fire and fighters went up.

The Air Ministry announced this afternoon that the "enemy is repeating the widespread attacks on east coast shipping which they undertook yesterday." Reports so far, it continues, indicate that early this morning reconnaissance aircraft appeared off the east coast, but dissappeared to sea on the approach of Royal Air Force fighters. "One enemy aircraft attacked shipping off Yarmouth but was pursued by fighting coastal patrol aircraft, with results not yet known." The Ministry states that a German aircraft was shot down by a Royal Air Force Command aircraft off the east coast. Reuter is authoritatively informed that the plane was shot down off the coast of Northumberland.

Two German bombers were observed off the east coast of Scotland this morning at less than 600 feet, with a British plane in close pursuit. The Iron Cross was distinctly seen on the wings, and the Swastika on the tail. The machines were apparently intercepted before they proceeded far.

The aircraft seen off an east coast town brought crowds from houses. Many persons saw the Heinkel bomber pass over the foreshore at a height of less than 1,000 feet. The crew could be seen in the cabin. The machine twice circled a lighthouse at the harbour entrance and then made off to sea. Mourners at a funeral service were among those startled when explosions from the sea shook the town. Houses all over the town rattled, and even in large buildings rumblings could be heard beneath the ground.

Sounds resembling machine-gun fire were heard. British machines went up. A housewife said it seemed that a big grey plane was making its way northward. "I heard a sound as if a gun had been fired," she said. "A patch of smoke showed from the grey plane and then three planes come from the north. The grey plane made out to sea, and the others followed. I think they were machinegunning it."

Another machine, believed to be German, flew over a Kentish coast town.

British Ships Saved

One man was killed and another wounded in action against the Newcastle steamer Gripfast, which arrived off a north-east coast harbour last night. One of her boats was hanging from one end of the davits. A lifeboat is now searching for other boats from the vessel.

When the West Hartlepool steamer Otterpool reached port, it was learned the master, Captain Prince, lay on his back on the bridge, with a rifle to his shoulder, and fired on a Heinkel bomber each time it swooped to attack the ship. The steamer is armed with a defensive gun, but two of the gunners were wounded as they ran to their stations. Ten bombs were dropped by the German plane, which also raked the steamer's decks with machine-gun fire. None of the bombs hit the ship. When three British fighting planes appeared, the raider immediately disappeared into the clouds.

Attacks in Tyneside Area

One raider was reported to have dropped seven bombs near the steamer Llanwern (4,966 tons) in the Tyneside area, without securing a hit. Another German aircraft attacked the Imperial Monarch (5,831 tons) off the Scottish coast, but fled towards the clouds as soon as British fighters were sighted. Two fighters fired at the raider at long range before the aircraft disappeared.

Off the Tyneside, a Heinkel bomber came out of the clouds, and the pilot found himself flying straight into a section of British fighters. When he saw his danger, he climbed steeply into the clouds and made off.

Farther south, fighters attacked a Heinkel which fled east into low-lying clouds, firing the roar-gun. One fighter was struck by a bullet, but no damage was done.

Other German raiders were driven away by British fighter machine while attacking ships off the Yorkshire coast. Two of the vessels attacked by the raiders were defenceless lightships.

Later in the morning. German aircraft raided ships off the Kentish coast.

Ships which reported attacks included the Miriam (1,903 tons), British Officer (6,990 tons), Athelmonarch (8,995 tons), Danny Bryn, Stanburn (2,881 tons), Knitsley (2,272 tons) and Wellpark (4,649 tons).

Neutrals Sunk Without Warning

U-boats have claimed two more neutral victims. The Danish steamer England (2,767 tons) and the Norwegian ship Hosanger (1,591 tons) were sunk without warning by German submarines, it was learned last night. The only survivor from the England was the second officer, pick-

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U.S. May Be Involved in Europe War Through Interests in Far East

American Policy Said to Imply Prevention of Control of China by Other Powers

London, Jan. 30.

The possibility that the United States' interest in China might lead her to take part in the European war was suggested by Sir Frederick Whyte, director of the American Division of the Ministry of Information, lecturing at Oxford today.

The American policy, he said, implied the frustration of any attempt by another power to secure control of China.

These motives today engaged the United States more closely in the Sino-Japanese conflict than any other power, with the possible exception of the Soviet Union, and might well be one of the causes which would involve the United States in the present conflict.

The war between China and Japan had no direct connection with the war in Europe, but in the last resort was not really apart from that conflict.

"If this is true," said Sir Frederick, "America will probably discover her special interest in the Far East profoundly affects her duty to Europe."—Reuter.

Rumania Thrust on Horns of Dilemma

Allies, Italy, Reich All Seek Oil, Wheat Supplies; Red Threat

Bucharest, Jan. 29.

With the Allies, Italy and the Reich engaged in a grim battle for Rumanian oil to lubricate their war machines, Bucharest today is in an unenviable position on the horns of a dilemma,—whether to trade freely and with all or to give way to increasing German bluster and threats.

According to recent German-Rumanian commercial accords, the Reich was to obtain 130,000 tons of Rumanian oil per month. So far, this figure has remained on paper alone, for Germany has been unable to find the means to transport the oil from Rumania to its oil-hungry industrial plants. In January, according to generous estimates, only 20,000 tons of oil will have been exported to Germany, in place of the 130,000 for which German manufacturers were waiting and hoping.

It is with a view to improving this situation that the German Railways have just sent to Rumania 120 locomotives and 2,000 oil-tank cars to aid the 10,200 Rumanian railway-wagons which have carried on transport to date.

Britain Doubles Purchases

While Germany has fallen short in purchasing Rumanian oil, Britain has doubled her purchases of oil and wheat since the outbreak of war. Italy has also entered the race as yet another competitor to the Reich, for she, too, needs oil.

That the Reich will not give up in this life-and-death struggle is to be expected. That it will increase pressure on Rumania is also to be foreseen. The question, however, is: how will Rumania maintain her neutrality with Germany and Soviet Russia right on her borders and the Allies 1,200 miles away?—Havas.

Reich Appoints Trade Controller

Bucharest, Jan. 30.

With the appointment of Herr Neubacher, Mayor of Vienna, as General Controller of German-Rumanian trade, the Germans are making a new bid for effective participation in Rumanian industries, it is stated here.

Hitherto, Rumania has resisted the application of part of the trade treaty of March, 1939, which contemplated establishing mixed German-Rumanian companies to exploit Rumania's oil, mineral, timber and other resources. Herr Neubacher is expected to press that this be carried out. If Rumania yields, exports might be carried in Rumanian trucks. In return for increased deliveries thereby, it is understood, Germany is offering to oppose Hungarian claims on Transylvania, and will use her influence to prevent Russian scares regarding Bessarabia.—Reuter.

Allies Deny Oil Mission

Bucharest, Jan. 30.

Official British and French circles here yesterday denied the report that an Anglo-French mission to purchase Rumanian oil had arrived here.

There will be a meeting this week between the directors of several foreign oil companies, some of whom came in from the Rumanian oil fields, and M. Leon Wenger, purchasing agent and French Government representative in oil matters, who has been at Bucharest for nearly two weeks. The British and French attribute the report to confusion with this conference.—United Press.

Planes, Artillery Active On Western Front

French Lieutenant Foils German Prisoner Raid

Paris, Jan. 30.

"Aviation and artillery have shown a certain amount of activity," it was reported in a French military communique issued here last night, dealing with the situation on the Western Front.

Knocking a German down with a hefty swing of his fist, and shouting "Help, boys, the Boshes are here," a lieutenant of the French Alpine chasseurs yesterday foiled a carefully planned Nazi raid to take prisoners, writes M. Charles Morice in "Le Petit Parisien."

He states that a strong German patrol crept near a small advance post in the sector north of Bitche, by following marks cut into the frozen snow the previous day. About 200 yards from the post, the Germans sent on three men, who crept through the barbed wire protection and hurled themselves at the lieutenant, who was momentarily stunned, but, revived by the intense cold, he used his fist on one of the Germans and called for help. The guard of the chasseurs then dealt with the second German, and surrounded the third, who was taken prisoner. The other two Germans were dead.

The lieutenant and his men were decorated.—Reuter.

Swiss Machine Factory Sabotaged

Berne, Jan. 29.

Action by evil intent was responsible for the explosion in the Oerlikon machinery and tool factory last Friday, the authorities established today.

A reward of 2,000 Swiss francs was announced today for information leading to the arrest of the guilty parties.—Havas.

Chinese Retreat In Suiyuan

Japanese Cross Yellow River in Flanking Move; Nanning Troops Bombed

Paotow, Jan. 30.

More than 25,000 Chinese troops under Gen. Fu Tso-yi and Gen. Ma Chan-shan stationed on the Ordos plains in southern Suiyuan were reported today to be retreating as Japanese forces staged lightning attacks.

The retreating Chinese faced the possibility of being trapped by Japanese detachments, according to reports received here.

A number of Japanese detachments on Sunday crossed the Yellow River, and aided by two Japanese army air units, moved on to the plains. The operations were being conducted in spite of a biting blizzard which sent the mercury to 30 degrees below zero Fahrenheit.—Domei.

Nanning Positions Bombed

A Japanese Air Base, Jan. 30.

Four Japanese army air units attacked from low altitudes Chinese positions in hilly areas near Wutang, north of Nanning in southern Kwangsi, in close co-operation with ground forces. The positions were demolished. All the planes returned safely.—Domei.

Hangchow Campaign Reviewed

Hangchow, Jan. 30.

Seven Japanese units captured key points south of the Chientang River and were engaged in mopping-up operations in the adjacent areas, a communiqué of the headquarters of the Japanese forces at Hangchow stated yesterday.

Results of Japanese activities were announced as follows: Chinese dead 554; prisoners, 137 including a company commander; booty, 367 rifles, 17 light machine guns, four heavy machine guns, one automatic rifle, 198 bayonets, 1,387 hand grenades, 122,298 rounds of rifle ammunition, eight chests of heavy machine gun ammunition, eight revolvers, 131 trench-mortar shells, four telephone sets, other arms, clothes, tools, and important papers.

Fourteen Japanese were killed and 33 wounded.—Domei.

Ningpo Not in Japanese Hands

Chungking, Jan. 30.

Chinese military quarters here today denied foreign reports that Japanese troops entered Ningpo this morning.

"Such reports are not true," they said. "There are only reports that the Japanese are preparing to effect a landing at Ningpo."—Reuter.

River Police Seize Four Suspects

Sequel to Search of Suspicious Junk

Acting on information received, Det.-Sergt. K. A. Mansfield and a Chinese detective of the Customs River Police, boarded a junk on Soochow Creek at 9.30 a.m. yesterday in order to investigate whether stolen coal was on board, and after a series of swift events, were able to hand four men over to the officers from Hongkew Police Station.

When the two detectives boarded the junk, the entire crew of the small craft disappeared below. Det.-Sergt. Mansfield standing on deck, ordered them to come up. At the same time a man ashore ordered the crew to remain below and is alleged to have reached for his pistol. Acting swiftly, Det.-Sergt. Mansfield ran ashore in pursuit of the would-be gunman, but found that apart from four persons sitting in a car parked in the vicinity, there was no one near the scene.

The passengers in the car, all Chinese, were then briefly questioned and subsequently handed over to an S.M.P. patrol. None of them was armed, however, and it is believed that the armed man was able to make his escape. The suspects held in Hongkew Police station were to be brought before the First Special District Court this morning.

The River Police declined to give any information regarding the matter.

Manchu Emperor to Visit Japan

Two Weeks Tour Arranged For This Year

Shimonoseki, Jan. 30.

Emperor Kangte will visit Japan early in May, Mr. Torao Kagoshima, Vice-Minister of the Imperial Household of Manchoukuo, announced here today. Mr. Kagoshima returned to Manchoukuo this morning after making arrangements with Japanese authorities for the Emperor's visit.

He said that Emperor Kangte would be taken to Japan on a Japanese warship and would land either at Yokosuka or Yokohama. In Tokyo, Mr. Kagoshima said, Emperor Kangte would convey his best wishes to Emperor Hirohito.

Emperor Kangte will stay in Japan for two weeks, according to present arrangements. He will visit the Ise and Kashiwara Shrines during that time. This will be Emperor Kangte's second visit to Japan. His first visit was in 1935.—Domei.

Japanese Kidnapped Near Hungjao

Rice Convoy Stopped by Armed Men

Ambushed by three armed Chinese as he was returning to Shanghai after a rice-buying trip west of Hungjao, Mr. Naoki Oka, 46 years old, was abducted at about 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon near Hungjao Road, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

Efforts of the Chinese Self-Defence Corps of the area to locate the kidnappers were futile, the Japanese daily said. Mr. Oka was believed to have been taken towards Szepao village.

Mr. Oka, who has an office at 6 Quinsan Gardens, was seized as he was riding in the cab of the third truck forming a rice convoy. The abductors, who were hiding near the roadside, fired two shots from their pistols as they ordered the trucks to stop.

Soviet Planes Bomb Hospitals, Machine-Gun Civilians

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lasting from 9.45 a.m. until nearly 4 p.m. Neither were injured, it is stated. Abo has been bombed 35 times in the past eight weeks.—Reuter.

Russian Casualties 120,000

London, Jan. 30.

The military correspondent of "The Times" says today that according to well-informed Russians, Soviet casualties in Finland, till early January, amounted to 120,000. They believe, he adds, that the Finnish estimate of Russian casualties, made a few days ago, of 200,000 Russian losses, may be not wide of the mark.—Reuter.

Viipuri Hospital Destroyed

Helsinki, Jan. 30.

Seventeen patients and four nurses were killed in a Viipuri hospital yesterday when Soviet bombers rained explosive and incendiary bombs and huge aerial torpedoes on the luckless town. The hospital was completely destroyed.

Finnish anti-aircraft defence corps report for the week ending January 27 that 46 different localities were bombed by the Soviet raiders during the week. Some places were bombed as many as four times. Although the Russians dropped over 9,000 tons of bombs, loss of life was comparatively slight, the report added, only 24 persons losing their lives, an increase of six over the previous week. Eight hospitals were bombed despite clear Red Cross signs. Soviet pilots used explosive bullets in their machine-guns, which is contrary to international law.—Havas.

Russian Communique

Leningrad, Jan. 30.

There was nothing important to report from the front yesterday, this morning's official Soviet General Staff communique announced. Soviet planes effected a few scouting and bombing flights. During aerial operations over Finnish territory, seven enemy planes were downed.—Havas.

Japan Demands Return Of 21 Seized Germans

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The United States Government, when it was neutral during the early stages of the war, the "Asahi" stated, contended that even nationals of a belligerent nation who were embodied in armed forces could not be forcibly removed from a neutral vessel bound for a neutral port.

The paper claimed that the British contention in the removal of 21 German passengers from the Asama Maru was an unilateral interpretation of international law. It was pointed out that the Germans seized were on a neutral vessel bound for a neutral port. They were not embodied in German armed forces, the paper stated.

Japan's objection to the forcible removal of the Germans from the N.Y.K. liner, it was stated, was based on the London Declaration of 1909. Although the declaration was not ratified by Great Britain, the "Asahi" said, provisions of the declaration were contained in the maritime laws of various countries, including Japan.

In accordance with article 47 of the London Declaration, the paper stated, Japan contends that the citizens of a belligerent power aboard a neutral vessel cannot be arrested by a warship, unless the nationals were embodied in armed forces.—Domei.

Rome Supports Tokyo

Rome, Jan. 30.

Italian governmental quarters from the beginning supported the validity of Japanese claims in the Asama Maru incident and if a similar event took place on an Italian vessel they would file a similar protest, Domei learned here yesterday.

As settlement of the case will constitute a precedent for neutrals, the Italian Government was watching closely the course of Anglo-Japanese negotiations, observers said.—Domei.

Passage Under Conditions

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, owners of the Asama Maru, from which a British warship recently took away 21 Germans, stated today that it will follow the Government's policy and not deny passage to all Germans.

The company will grant passages to Germans having certificates saying they are not embodied in the German armed forces."—Reuter.

Britain Tackles Problem Of Road Deaths

Safety Tests Carried Out With Minister's Car

London, Jan. 30.

Launching a Road Safety Campaign, Capt. Euan Wallace, Minister of Transport, stated last night that the 20 miles an hour speed limit during blackouts, imposed this week, was the result of tests carried out in his own car.

Of a total of 1,155 road deaths during December, 895 occurred during blackout periods, he added.

"The Government is determined to tackle the problem of road deaths," continued Capt. Wallace. "The Ministry of Transport will designate three or four specimen areas, in which police will make analyses of the causes of accidents during blackouts," he concluded.—Reuter.

Returned Students' Body Formed in Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 30.

A Chinese British-returned Students' Association has been formed here. More than 100 British-returned students attended the inaugural meeting. The association will comprise Chinese students who have pursued higher education in England.—Reuter.

German Planes Fly Over Holland

The Hague, Jan. 30.

German planes flew over north-east and central Holland last night. Patrolling Dutch planes and anti-aircraft defence units went into action against the raiders. A protest was sent to Berlin this morning.—Havas.

Germany's Vast Bill for Upkeep of Nazis

Paris, Jan. 30.

The upkeep of the Nazi party organization costs the German people about £140,000,000 a year, according to the "Petit Parisien." The paper states these figures are taken from the Nazi party's annual financial statement, signed by the treasurer, Dr. Schwartz, and the Labour Front Leader, Dr. Robert Ley.—Reuter.

R.A.F. Fighters Drive German Raiders Off East Seaboard

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ed up after 32 hours on a raft. A boat, containing three men from the Hosanger, was picked up by a British steamer. They are believed to be the only survivors.

Two women are among the survivors from the Latvian ship Everene, torpedoed by a German submarine in the North Sea, four days ago. This was revealed last night when 30 survivors were landed at an east Scottish port.

Eight survivors from the Norwegian steamer Gudveig, torpedoed at the same time as the Everene, were also landed. Ten Norwegians and one Latvian are missing.

Earlier in the day survivors from the Norwegian steamer Faro (844 tons) which went ashore on the southeast coast, owing to the danger of enemy action, were landed from a British vessel. Three of the ship's crew are dead and four missing.

A small Dutch vessel, Nora, was mined off the south-east coast of Britain yesterday. Although her stern was blown away and she began to sink rapidly, a salvage tug was able to tow her to shore, where she was beached. The explosion was so great that people in a nearby coastal town were shaken in their beds. The rising tide later carried the vessel further inshore, driving her clean through a sea wall.

Mine Explodes at Resort

A mine washed ashore at a south-east coast resort blew up a new sea-wall yesterday, and smashed hundreds of windows. The mine struck a promenade, on which work was in progress. One arch was blown away and three others were damaged. The concrete work of the sea wall was over three feet thick, and reinforced with steel.

Seven men are believed to have been killed when German planes dropped ten bombs on the Latvian steamer Tautmila (3,700 tons) in the North Sea yesterday. An eighth man was seen drifting alone in a boat which was damaged by a bomb, and a lifeboat is searching for him. Fifteen men and the captain's wife escaped in a boat. They were picked up by a patrol ship and taken to a British port.—Reuter.

No British Plane Downed

London, Jan. 30.

The German radio report alleging that a British plane was downed by German craft in a raid over England yesterday is termed "sheer exaggeration" in authoritative circles here. The Germans claimed that the British plane fell near Hartlepool. The Air Ministry stressed that complete details of yesterday's raids have already been published.

Although the Air Ministry is not yet able to give a definite figure, aeronautical quarters here believe approximately twenty German bombers took part in yesterday's attacks on British and neutral shipping.

Fifteen bodies were washed on to a beach on the coast of Britain this morning. It is believed that the corpses are those of members of the crew of the destroyer H.M.S. Exmouth sunk with all hands lost a few days ago. In the same region, several other bodies were seen floating on the sea, but the heavy swell prevented their recovery.—Havas.

German Communique

Berlin, Jan. 30.

Seven armed merchantmen and two patrol boats were sunk by the Nazi Air Force in the North Sea and one British pursuit plane was shot down near Hartlepool by German planes, it was officially announced last night. (London denies any R.A.F. craft was shot down at all.)

"In line with air force reconnaissance flights over the North Sea," the German announcement said, "an enemy convoy of armed merchantmen and patrol boats were attacked on January 29, despite very heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire and the arrival of enemy pursuit formations. The following were destroyed: seven armed merchantships and two patrol boats. One enemy pursuit plane was shot down near Hartlepool. All our own planes returned safe and sound."—United Press.

Eight Known Killed

London, Jan. 30.

Eight persons were killed as German planes attacked British and neutral shipping along more than 400 miles off the east coast yesterday from the Tay River in the north to the Kentish coast in the south, and dropped small bombs on the Shetland Islands, causing a series of air raid alarms which spread inland.—United Press.

Week's Losses Assessed

London, Jan. 30.

It is officially announced today that in the week ending January 28 at midnight, thirteen ships totalling 29,100 tons, were sunk by the enemy.

Of these one was British, two French, and ten neutral.

Apart from these, three neutral ships totalling 13,006 tons were sunk in the three preceding days but were not included in the previous week's list. The percentage of convoyed ships sunk by the Germans remains at two.

The allied fleet, in the same period, captured 21 German vessels, representing a total of 89,000 tons, while three German ships, totalling 14,000 tons were sunk by the Allies.

The German ships captured or scuttled represent five per cent. of the total German merchant marine while 21 per cent. of this merchant marine is still blocked in neutral ports.

Last week, the announcement added, the Germans claimed they had sunk eight British destroyers, including one named Vicar, which does not even exist. Among the destroyers mentioned by the Germans were the Viscount, Jersey, and Mohawk, all three of which are still in active service.

Sweden's losses in shipping last week actually totalled 16,000 tons and not 59,000 as the Germans claimed.—Havas.

FUNERALS

Mrs. Beryl Beda Lacey

In the presence of a large attendance of personal friends, the funeral took place at the Bubbling Well cemetery yesterday afternoon, of Mrs. Beryl Beda Lacey, wife of Mr. Norman H. Lacey. The services in the Chapel and at the graveside were conducted by the Rev. Dean A. C. S. Trivett. The chief mourners were the widower, Mr. N. H. Lacey and Mr. V. C. Olive. The casket was borne to the grave by Messrs. R. V. Dent, G. G. Southerton, Eric Davies, G. Pickering, D. Weldon and T. C. G. Pearson. Beautiful floral tributes were received from: Norman, Mavis and Islay, and Mary and Gill, and were lowered in the grave with the casket.

Among others sending flowers were:

Lacey & Cannan, Ltd.; Aunt Dolly and Uncle Syd and family; Aunt Flo.; Aunt Gertie and family; Joey and Vic.; Mr. and Mrs. F. Christie; Bob and Edie Southerton; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Howell; Mr. and Mrs. C. Reeves; Inez, Will, Evelyn and Mavis; Mr. and Mrs. W. Noon and Irene; Shirley and Beverley; Ethel and Vyvyan Dent; Muriel and Bobby Southerton; Mr. and Mrs. D. Wheldon and family; Mabel and Jonas; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Penn; Joe Brentice; Dudley family at Home; Roland, Dolly and children; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Leach; E. A. Lloyd and J. A. Flower, Ellerman and Bucknall S.S. Co., Ltd.; Mr. and Mrs. Eric Davies; The Chinese Staff of Lacey and Cannan Ltd.; K. S. Koe; S. S. Wong; Mr. and Mrs. A. Sing; I. L. Chu; Sung Tai; Chen Wei Fong; Chen Tsao Ai Liang; A. Sing Ltd. and others.

Messrs. Thomas Macdonald & Co., were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Miss Ethel Abercrombie

There was a very large attendance at the Bubbling Well Cemetery yesterday afternoon, when the remains of the late Miss Ethel Abercrombie, Senior Missionary of the Door of Hope, whose death occurred at 22 Robison Road, on Saturday evening, were laid to rest. The services in the Chapel were conducted by Mr. W. J. Embery of the China Inland Mission and Dr. Huizenga, the former of whom in eulogistic terms referred to the work of the late Miss Abercrombie in connection with the Door of Hope. Several of deceased's favourite hymns were rendered by the congregation, while Miss Peck rendered a solo, Miss Green presiding at the Organ. At the graveside, the committal service was read by Dr. Huizenga. The pallbearers were: Messrs. F. E. Parry, F. E. Keeble, A. K. Macpherson, S. Glanville, J. J. Evans, and E. Erne.

Among those sending floral tributes were:

The Door of Hope Committee, Brother and Sisters in South Africa and England; China Bible House; The Shanghai Free Christian Church; Missionary Sisters in the Door of Hope; The Girls and Children of the Mission; O. M. S. Friends; Child Protection Section, S.M.C.; G. B. Metcalfe; M. T. Shewring; Mr. and Mrs. Mussen; Mrs. Martin; Mrs. Stacey; Samuel Hansen and family; Some of the Friends at the C.I.M.; "Mother" Lawler and Beatrice; Esther Lawler and Miss Bloom; The Jacobsons; Miss E. K. Marsh; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gibb and the Office Staff of the China Inland Mission; Miss E. L. Brown; Emmanuel Home; Miss Bertha Beebe and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Grant; Father and Mother Turner; The Bible Seminary; Mrs. W. S. Sweet; Miss M. S. Fitzgerald; Miss Parmenter; Miss Brittain; Miss Riechars; Miss Bertschin and Miss Gemmell; John and Lois; Miss E. Gladys Dieterly and co-workers; Children's Refuge of the Door of Hope; E. Fischbacher; P. Deck; C. Coleston; Door of Hope Hospital Chinese Staff; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Parrott; Mrs. Bao; George and Margaret; Children's Refuge Chinese Staff; Door of Hope Chinese Staff; S. I. Varndell; F. S. King; Sing Song Section—Louza Station; Paul Koo and family; Mrs. T. W. Liang (Ting Woo) and family; Mr. and Mrs. Tai Tik Loh; Y. N. Hugh; Chang Yuen Shen; M. C. Lu; Timothy Wong; C. A. Kung; Kung Vai Yung; Keng Vai Chong; Kung Vai Woo; Soong Vang Ling; Chang Yu Vang In; Zee Koo Sing Yung; Sing Wang Woo In; Chong Zun Mei Tai; Ching Chang Ming Zee; See Chang Ling Tsu; Chen Jaw Tsin and family; Kwei Po; Yao Lu Tai; Dong Po Ai; Sung Ma; Li Te Sun; Lu Eai Tsi; Bai Yang Vung Chaing; Po Tse Tsung; Lu Dao Sung, Lu Tse Yu; Hu Tsing Yu; Wei Tu; Woo Ching Tsao Ching; Su Ing; Chang Un Sun; Chang Vai Tse; Wang Sung Sew Tu; Koo Po Yu; Lee Zeng Su Te; Wang Kwei Ing; Fu Ju Tsao Chen; Lee Tse Kong; Yu Pai Ing; See Po Ng; Sun Hong Mai; Tong Foo Yung; Tong Yu La Chuei; Sun Yai Ming; Use Wei Tsung; Pai Te Yee; Pai Tse Nee; Chang Yu Sung; Chen Yea Ung; King Shi Vun; King Tse Yung; Hender T. Nye, etc.

The funeral arrangements were carried out under the direction of Messrs. Thomas Macdonald & Co.

Bohemia, Moravia Enter Nazi Customs System

Balkans Notified of Expiry Of Existing Treaties

Paris, Jan. 30.

The German Government is reported to have informed the Balkan countries that the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia will be incorporated in the German Customs system in March or April.

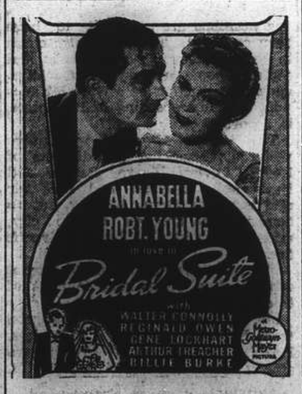
All commercial agreements between these countries and Czechoslovakia will be invalid after April 1. The German Government invited the Balkan countries to take part in negotiations with the Protectorate on a new basis, it is reported.—Reuter.

Herr Hitler to Reply to Mr. Churchill

London, Jan. 30.

It is announced by the German wireless that Herr Hitler is speaking to the German people tonight at 7 o'clock, G.M.T. (Shanghai time, 3 a.m. Wednesday). The speech will be broadcast over all German stations.—Reuter.

Herr Hitler is expected to give a sharp reply to Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty in the British War Cabinet, who made two broadcast speeches recently.—Reuter.



U.S. Ambassador In Hankow

American Citizens Seen During Journey Up River; "Lots of Life Left"

Hankow, Jan. 30.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, interviewed by Reuter today, said he was unable to state his impressions of conditions along the Yangtze River.

He said that his trip from Shanghai in the U.S.S. Luzon was very quiet. No fighting was seen. Ports with American residents were visited. In these, nationals of practically all countries were seen.

Mr. Johnson had no information to give regarding the reopening of the Yangtze. In reply to a question, he said he was leaving the matter of obtaining better accommodation and facilities for Americans going to Hankow, and returning to Shanghai, in the hands of the U. S. Consul-General in Shanghai.

Asked for his impressions on conditions in Hankow, Mr. Johnson avoided direct comment. He recalled the time when he was a resident of the port in 1910 and watched its many vicissitudes. He said he now found "still lots of life left in the place."

The Ambassador told Reuter that the press had placed undue importance on his conference with the Japanese Ambassador-at-large, Mr. Sotomatsu Kato, and the coming talks in Chungking with the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr, and the French Ambassador, M. Henri Cosme, whom he would meet in the ordinary course of events.

Mr. Johnson is leaving for Shanghai tomorrow morning. He will revisit several ports. On February 8, he will leave Shanghai for Chungking.—Reuter.

Woman Dies, Couple Injured in Fire

A Chinese woman burned to death, a man and a woman were injured and three Chinese dwelling houses were seriously damaged by flames shortly after 9.20 p.m. yesterday, when Central station fire engines were summoned to 38, 40 and 42, Wusih Road near Peking Road.

Although the fire was under control 24 minutes later, the woman died in the flames after the staircase leading time, burned away. A man and a to the room in which she was at the woman in the same room with her, jumped out and while the woman sustained slight injuries only, the man's conditions was declared to be serious by doctors at the Lester Hospital for Chinese where the two victims had to be rushed.

The cause of the fire is unknown.

Three Americans Held By S. M. Police

Three American citizens, Lawrence D. Morgan, Albert C. Evans jr. and Theodore W. Johnson, were being detained in the Central Police Station since early yesterday evening, at the request of Mr. Arthur Petersen, U.S. Deputy Marshal. They will be brought before Judge Milton J. Helmick in the U.S. Court for China this morning to answer charges of vagrancy.

All Tokyo Hotels Said To Be Booked Up

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

All hotels and inns in Tokyo were reported by the "Nichi Nichi Shimbun" chain of newspapers today to be doing a rushing business.

The chain of papers said that it was impossible for visitors to obtain rooms in many of the hotels unless reservations were made three or four days in advance.—Domei.

Decree Nisi Awarded In Divorce Action

In H. M. Supreme Court, before Judge Sir Allan Mossop, yesterday a decree nisi was awarded to Mr. John Seaby in an action for divorce against Mrs. Militza Seaby. Mr. J. R. Jones appeared for the petitioner.

Another Set of "Quins"

Cairo, Jan. 30.

The wife of an Egyptian named Sayed Hamada Geheza has given birth to quintuplets. They are all girls, and all are in good health.—Reuter.

Britain Buys Latest U.S. Bombers

Burbank, Cal., Jan. 30.

The Lockheed Aircraft Corporation announce the receipt of an order from the British Government for 200 new type bombers, and also spare parts, to a value of $18,000,000. The machines will be faster and larger than the Hudson type previously bought.—Reuter.

Armed Robbers Keep Busy in Settlement

Unarmed Thug Nabbed On Jessfield Road

Eight men, four of them armed, succeeded in making good their escape after intimidating the occupants of a Chinese house at Lane 266, House 6, Fokien Road, and stealing $1,000 in bank-notes, jewellery and clothing, at 6.20 p.m. yesterday.

Only 45 minutes earlier, three men, two armed with pistols, made a raid on a Chinese house at 502 Canton Road and after holding the occupants at pistol point, departed with $700 in cash, three cheques and one gown.

At 6.20 p.m. a gang of six thugs, four armed with pistols, managed to take loot consisting of money, jewellery and clothing valued at $300 from a Chinese home at 241 Carter Road. They escaped before an alarm could be raised.

When four unarmed men held up a Chinese pedestrian on Jessfield Road near Avenue Road at 3 p.m. yesterday, they stole money, a ring and a coat to the total value of $52. Little did they realize that their victim would raise an alarm, as a result of which one of the thugs was arrested. He will face the First Special District Court this morning.

A Chinese woman riding in a public rickshaw was held up by a lone armed gunman on North Kiangse Road at 2.15 p.m. yesterday and relieved of money, jewellery and clothing, the total value of which is not yet known.

Several other minor hold-ups and armed robberies occurred during the day.

First British Officer Killed on Front

Lt. P. A. C. Everitt Was Born in Singapore

London, Jan. 30.

It was revealed today that the first British officer to fall in an encounter on the Western Front was Lieutenant P. A. C. Everitt, of the Royal Norfolk Regiment, only son of Lady Everitt and the late Sir Clement Everitt. He was killed on January 9.

Lieutenant Everitt was 23 years of age, and was born at Singapore, where his father was prominent up to 1927.—Reuter.

Chinese Daily Not to Appear for Fortnight

The certificate of registration of the "Chinese American Daily News" local Chinese-language daily, published by the Roosevelt Publishing Corporation, at 160, Avenue Edward VII, was suspended for two weeks by the Shanghai Municipal Council yesterday afternoon. No reason was given by the Council for the suspension but it was believed that a recent leading article attacking Mr. Wang Ching-wei's peace-movement may have resulted in this decision.

Late yesterday evening, in a printed circular, the "Chinese American Daily News" informed the public of this suspension.

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Stolen Typewriters Speedily Recovered

Quick Work by Both Police Forces

Four typewriters which were stolen from the Pasteur Institute, Route Pere Robert, during the night from Monday to yesterday, were back on their desks yesterday afternoon and one member of a gang of four responsible for the theft, is now in custody of the French police, in one of most rapidly solved crimes in recent months.

When the police were informed of the occurrence yesterday morning, the only clue which they had was a ladder placed against a wall of the Institute's premises. A window-pane had also been broken but nothing led to indicate the whereabouts of the men responsible for the theft.

Early yesterday afternoon, however, the Settlement police were informed that four typewriters had been seen carried to House 229, Lane 231, Kwangsi Road. The French Police were informed and a search of the premises was made.

The typewriters were found in the custody of the sole occupant of the house, who told detectives that he had been a party to the theft and the gang had broken the window to lower the typewriters with a rope. He gave descriptions of his accomplices, the arrest of whom is expected within a few hours.

Japanese Again Explain Tientsin Measures

Electrification of Wires Not New Move

Tientsin, Jan. 30.

British and American press reaction to the renewed electrification of the barbed wire fences surrounding the British and French concessions here were held by local Japanese authorities as indicative of "guilty consciences."

The British, they pointed out, attributed the action to a Japanese desire to retaliate for the forcible removal by the British Navy of 21 German passengers of the Asama Maru on January 21, while Americans tended to associate the step with the abrogation of the American-Japanese Treaty of Commerce and Navigation.

The Japanese authorities declared that the electrification of the fences was only a return to a condition prevailing before August 20, when the floods made it imperative for an alleviation of the blockade measures on humanitarian grounds.

In announcing their intention again to charge the wire fences with electricity at 5 o'clock on Sunday, the Japanese military authorities, on Saturday, pointed out that many anti-Japanese elements were slipping through the fences from the concessions into Japanese-occupied territory.—Domei.

Representations to be Made

London, Jan. 30.

It is understood that the British Consul in Tientsin, Mr. Oswald White, will soon make representations to the local Japanese authorities regarding the electric charging of the barbed wires around the British Concession.—Havas.

France Warned Against Slavery Under Nazis

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and fortifications which our Youth mans and fights on.

"It is because we erected the silent wall of our might against the onrush of violence that total war has not started as yet.

Duties of Home Front

"I have paid homage to our fighting forces and addressed them directly on many occasions." M. Daladier continued. "Today I speak for the France that lies behind the lines."

The Premier then emphasized the need to maintain in France a great number of men who could become soldiers if the need arises for "total war will not be delayed much longer" and will call for large supplies of arms, munitions and food.

A great effort already has been made to send large numbers of men to the front in full fighting trim.

"Everybody must be at his post, where he will be most useful. All Frenchmen must be ready to live like soldiers. At the same time, soldiers in the lines demand that the civilians in the rear should have the same determination, hardiness and resolute view of the situation that they have.

"Those in the rear must also fight because, in the face of the Army's resolve," the Premier concluded, "the Germans count on possible weaknesses and uncertainties behind the lines to bring us down."—Havas.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

At today's meeting of the Keys to be held in the Club rooms, 999 Bubbling Well Road, Miss Ruth Packard will speak on "Club Programmes" and all those interested are welcome to attend. Tea will be served at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. Masao Nagashima, who has been acting Principal of the Japanese Girls' High School operated by the Japanese Residents' Corporation, will be appointed permanent Principal, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi."

As a token of respect, the Chinese Youth Federation in Hongkong yesterday sent a party of nine representatives to Chungking to present a sword to General Chiang Kai-shek, says a Hongkong message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

To give second generation Japanese in Shanghai an education compatible with their residence on the continent, an educational society will be formed on Feb. 11, the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi."

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Chengtu and more than 100 other public bodies wired the Chinese National Government on January 28, reaffirming their unflinching support of the policy of national resistance, says a Chengtu message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

The general clearance day has been fixed by the Shanghai Native Bankers' Association on February 7, the eve of the Spring Festival, says the "Sin Wan Pao." February 8 to 11 inclusive will be declared the Spring Festival holiday, and business will be resumed as usual on February 12.

The next meeting of the Shanghai Missionary Association will be held at the Y.W.C.A., 999 Bubbling Well Road, on February 6, 5 p.m. to 5.45 p.m. Social Hour; 5.45 p.m. to 6.45 p.m., Devotions. Minutes of last meeting. Address by Rev. H. B. Rattenbury, Secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society.

The Shanghai Special Municipality has asked the Reformed Government for an appropriation of $469,200 for relief of 102,226 refugees and poor in areas under its jurisdiction, the "Tairiku Shimpo" said yesterday. This figure represents the most destitute of the 128,638 refugees and 659,473 poor in areas of the Municipality, the paper said.

It is announced by the local Post Office that, commencing from February 1, the outgoing international parcel tariff rates, with the exception of those on Japan, Korea, Leased Territory of Kwangtung and Taiwan, will be further increased by 100 per cent., while the insurance fees, limits of insurance and the additional charges of $2.70, $3.50 and $5.50 on each parcel will remain unchanged.

The British Government on Monday entertained to luncheon a party of French war correspondents attached to the British Expeditionary Force in France. Sir John Reith, Minister of Information, was in the chair. Another party of Frenchmen, officers of the Anglo-French Parliamentary Committee of the French Chamber of Deputies, were entertained to dinner by the Government, with Mr. Anthony Eden, Dominions Secretary, in the chair.

Charged with aiding and abetting in a fraud, Chang Wen-ping was fined $20 yesterday by the First Special District Court. Chang was a "watchman" employed by a tramway conductor looking for the whereabouts of tramcar inspectors in order to facilitate the conductor to "squeeze." He was caught on Monday in Bubbling Well Road near Seymour Road by an alert tram inspector who saw him receiving money from a conductor.

Mr. Liang You-ming, section chief of the Arts Section of the Political Department of the National Aeronautical Commission, has been appointed to tour the South Sea Islands and other foreign countries to conduct a series of exhibitions dealing with aviation in China, says a report to the "National Herald." Preparations are now being made by the Commission to collect suitable exhibits which are designed to arouse interest among overseas Chinese in the aviation progress in China.

The Norwegian Consulate General wishes to inform the applicants for part of the 2,500 kilos of cod liver oil, previously mentioned in this paper, which have been donated by the Norwegian producers to institutions etc. nursing needy Chinese war refugee children, that the shipment in question will arrive at Shanghai shortly. The distribution will begin, through the Customs and stored, as soon as the oil has been cleared, probably during the second week of February.

Three robbers were each sentenced to seven years' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court in connection with an armed robbery committed several weeks ago in the Sinza district in which one of their men was shot dead in a gun battle with the officers. It will be recalled that the crime was committed at 3-102 Tsang Kah Zah Road, off Avenue Road, on January 8, when four men ransacked the place and tried to run away with $2,000 in notes and other valuables. A police party including Sergeant R. J. Bulpin arrived in time to chase the men in a gun battle in which one of the armed robbers was shot down by the sergeant, whose colleagues caught the other men.

The second special French programme of the season under the patronage of the Alliance Française for the seventeenth Sunday Symphony Concert to be given in the Lyceum Theatre on Sunday, February 4, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Habanera ....Louis Aubert
Symphony for Orchestra and Piano
Vincent d'Indy
"sur un chant montagnard Français"
Assai lento—Moderatamente animato
Moderato assai ma senza lentezza
Animato
At the piano: Robert Kohner
(First Performance in Shanghai)
Group of Pieces for Solo-piano
Reflets dans l'eau ....Debussy
Jeux d'artifice ....Debussy
Pavane pour une Infant e defunte
Ravel
Alborada del Gracioso ....Ravel
Soloist: Robert Kohner
La Valse: Choreographic Poem for Orchestra ....Ravel
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

Crank Inquest Continues

Chinese Policeman Tells Of Firing of Shot in Post Office Compound

Chinese police-constable 1289, a shot from whose pistol caused the death of Probationary-Sergeant Duncan Ernest Crank of the Shanghai Municipal Police, at the General Hospital on January 16, was the chief witness called at the resumed inquest held on P. S. Crank in H.M. Police Court yesterday. The Chinese constable explained to Mr. C. H. Haines, H.M. Coroner, before whom the enquiry was held, that his pistol had been accidentally fired when he had attempted to knock a pistol out of another man's hand in the presence of P. S. Crank in the General Post Office compound on January 10.

The first witness called was Peter T. C. Bau, manager of the Far Eastern Sanitary Co., 341 Szechuen Road. On the morning of January 10, he said, he was called to the Post Office and, upon his arrival there, he attempted to settle a dispute between his coolies and Post Office coolies. His coolies were cleaning the Post Office and the trouble was about hot water.

When witness tried to settle the dispute he was struck by the Post Office coolies, who used their fists and he warned them that if they still persisted in assaulting him he would fire a pistol, which he carried with him in his pocket. "They continued to assault me and I took my pistol out of my pocket and fired on the ground to frighten them," witness continued.

Manager's Story

He added that the coolies then commenced to pull him to the main entrance of the compound and at this time the pistol was in his overcoat pocket. A foreign policeman and a Chinese police-constable came on the scene, the foreigner asking him whether or not he had a pistol. Witness replied that he had a pistol and also a licence. "Then I handed this pistol to him," he said.

"The Chinese policeman was holding my right arm and I immediately handed over my pistol to the foreign policeman. Then I heard a shot. The pistol was in his hands. The shot was very close but I did not see who fired it. Then I saw the foreign policeman hold his abdomen and he went out of the entrance to the compound." Witness then identified a Colt .25 pistol as the one which he had handed over.

The Coroner—Before you fired this pistol did you point it at one of the Post Office coolies?—No.

The Coroner—Did any one of the Post Office coolies pull your hand down so that you would fire on the ground?—No.

Witness added that the pistol was cocked with the safety catch on and when the coolies continued to assault him he released the safety catch. The pistol was pointing towards the ground.

Pistol in Hand

Sub-Inspector F. A. Ewins, in charge of the Arms Identification Section of the S.M.P., said that on January 10 he received a .25 Colt automatic and, at the same time, he received a .25 cartridge case and bullet which he identified as coming from the .25 pistol. He also received a .380 police pistol and a .380 cartridge case. On January 11, he stated, he received a bullet from Detective Sub-Inspector Guess. The bullet and the cartridge were identified as having been fired from the S.M.P. pistol.

Chinese Police Watchman 1106 said that on January 10 he was standing near the main entrance of the Post Office compound. At about 12.15 p.m. he heard one shot, the noise coming from the east side of the compound. He then saw a Chinese in foreign dress come up with a pistol in his hand. Following a few steps behind were some coolies.

As soon as he saw the pistol he blew his whistle and caught hold of the man's right wrist and drew out his own pistol. At that moment Foreign-Sergeant 23 came and asked what was the trouble. Witness replied that someone had fired a shot. While he was holding the man's wrist, he continued, the foreigner took the pistol out of the man's hand.

Held His Abdomen

He did not see Bau take his pistol out of his pocket and hand it to the foreign sergeant. After the foreign sergeant had taken the pistol he heard a shot and saw the latter hold his abdomen. He asked witness where the telephone was and went upstairs. Questioned by Mr. Haines, witness said Bau was not being dragged by the Post Office coolies but was running. He did not see who fired the second shot.

Dr. E. G. Gauntlett said he was called to attend P. S. Crank at the General Hospital on January 10. He was suffering from a gunshot wound in the abdomen. The bullet had entered the middle line, immediately below the breast bone, and had passed backwards and to the right and could be felt under the skin on the right side of the chest. His condition was serious and, after a blood transfusion, witness operated upon him.

It was found that the bullet had made a large hole in the liver, causing considerable hæmorrhage. It had also passed through the right kidney. After the operation his condition improved and was satisfactory for six days but then signs of secondary hæmorrhage occurred and he died on January 16. The cause of death was the gunshot wound. The bullet was removed and handed to the police.

Frightened Foreman

The foreman in charge of the F. E. S. Co. coolies told the Coroner that he telephoned to his office about the trouble and that the manager came at about 12 o'clock. The coolies and the manager pulled each other in the compound, after which the manager stepped back and the coolies followed.

Witness was standing in front of Bau and he heard the coolies say, "He's taken out a pistol." Then the coolies said, according to witness, "You dare to open fire." He then heard a shot. When he heard the Post Office coolies say "Arrest him," he left the compound as he was frightened. He did not see Bau point the pistol at the coolies.

Sung Sze-jing, Chinese police-constable 1289, said that at 12.30 p.m. he was standing near the main entrance with Foreign Sergeant 23 and two other C.P.C.s. He heard one shot fired in the building and he was informed that a robbery was in progress. Then witness and the foreign sergeant took out their pistols and loaded them and went into the compound, the foreigner leading.

Not Deliberate

Witness saw one Chinese in foreign clothes take a pistol out. Standing beside this man was a Chinese police watchman, who was holding him by his left shoulder. The foreign sergeant pointed his pistol at the man and warned him not to move. The constable then added that the man, whom he identified in Court as Bau, took a pistol out of the right pocket of his overcoat.

Witness then held his wrist and with the right hand, which held a police pistol, tried to knock the pistol out of the man's hand with the police weapon. At the same time the foreign sergeant also attempted to take the man's pistol away. Witness then heard one shot fired but he did not know where it came from.

"Then I remembered that I had got my pistol in my hand," he said, "and I realized that I had fired one shot." The foreign sergeant, he continued, went away with the pistol seized from Bau. He did not know the foreigner was injured.

The Coroner—You know that a bullet from your pistol resulted in the death of the foreign sergeant?-Yes sir.

He added that before he went to the compound he heard two shots in quick succession and he did not deliberately fire his pistol. His statement to the police, he said, was not true. The enquiry was adjourned until Thursday at 10 a.m.

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Shanghai Gets an Extra Blast of Winter

All day long yesterday snow fell in Shanghai, although it did not settle, and biting blasts of wind made the streets cold and cheerless. Here are scenes at two of Shanghai's windiest and coldest spots.

Gaming House Partner Gets Life Term

Shot Rivals to Remove Any Competition

Against a mounting mass of evidence produced against him by the Settlement police through their Municipal Advocate, Mr. T. Y. Chang, a former "badlands" gambling house partner, Wang Shou-chang, was sentenced to life imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court charged with one murder and two attempted murders in which he tried desperately to get rid of all business rivals in order to have things go his way.

He was until recently a partner of the Yung Yuen gambling house which has been doing good business but Wang soon could not see eye to eye with his partner, Chang Mei-kong. In March of last year, he hired men to try to kill Kao Ching-ken, an able assistant of his partner. Wang himself participated in the shooting in which he fired several shots but Kao, although wounded, recovered later to implicate him. Some time later, Wang and his men waylaid his partner, Chang Mei-kong, in Tifeng Road and made no mistake in disposing of him.

As if this was not enough, Wang planned also to kill Chang's brother, Chang Hsin-mei, but then the police stepped in and arrested several men who were subsequently convicted in the court. Wang soon realized that it would be better for him to leave Shanghai and so he went to Hongkong, only to be caught later.

"Corpse" Given 30 Days in Prison

Ex-School Teacher Uses Two Pupils in Beggar Racket

A former school teacher played "dead" in order to enable his two students to collect alms to his own advantage.

This was an interesting beggar racket case settled in the First Special District Court on Monday when the "dead" teacher became "alive" and received a prison term sentence of 30 days. His two former students (and twins too) aged below 14 had been collecting alms from pedestrians in Settlement streets for several months, displaying a picture showing that their father was killed during the bloody Saturday bombing near the Great World amusement resort during the first stages of Sino-Japanese hostilities in Shanghai. They were recently taken to the police station and, after being questioned, the police learnt that their teacher was behind the whole business.

Emperor Entered Japan's Poetry Contest

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

The five winners of the annual Imperial Poetry Contest, including two soldiers serving in China, were announced at the Palace yesterday.

The Emperor's personal poem said, "At the beginning of the new year we pray that the East and West will live together and prosper."—United Press.

"Rice Fund" Hits $30,000 Mark

Additional Van Secured for Day-time Distribution; Garments Badly Needed

At the conclusion of the first week of the Salvation Army's "hot rice campaign against starvation" yesterday evening, $30,000 had been received. Yesterday proved to be a record day, donations having exceeded $11,000, of which $1,271 alone were received by the "North-China Daily News."

This most gratifying response has enabled the Salvation Army to place an additional rice van on the streets and, while the usual van will make its regular trips at night, the other one will make the rounds commencing at 2.30 p.m. daily. In this manner, it will be possible for the Salvation Army to supply 2,800 beggars with rice and salted vegetables daily, instead of the average of 1,200 which was maintained for the first week of the campaign, Brigadier B. Morris told the "North-China Daily News" yesterday afternoon.

In referring to the actual daily distributions, Brig. Morris said that the need for the campaign becomes apparent when, as was the case on Monday evening, 1,200 beggars were already lined up in good order on Avenue Edward VII before the van's arrival, knowing that the distribution would only start once they had taken up this position. A few minutes later, 600 beggars were awaiting their daily meal in the same manner on Sinza Road.

Donations received yesterday ranged from $3 to $1,000 and the youngest donor, a four-year old English girl, sent a handsome cheque to the "North-China Daily News" because, as her mother put it in the attached note, she is very much interested in the welfare of the Chinese beggars."

Among those sending contributions yesterday, was a Chinese family from whom a cheque for $500 was received in the morning and a similar cheque "in fond remembrance of their late son" in the afternoon.

Garments Required

In view of the wonderful way in which Shanghailanders have responded to the appeal, those workers of the Salvation Army who were not actively engaged in the rice distribution, found themselves flooded with cheques and cash donations and were therefore unable to compile the daily list of contributions received yesterday. This list will be completed today, however, and will be published tomorrow.

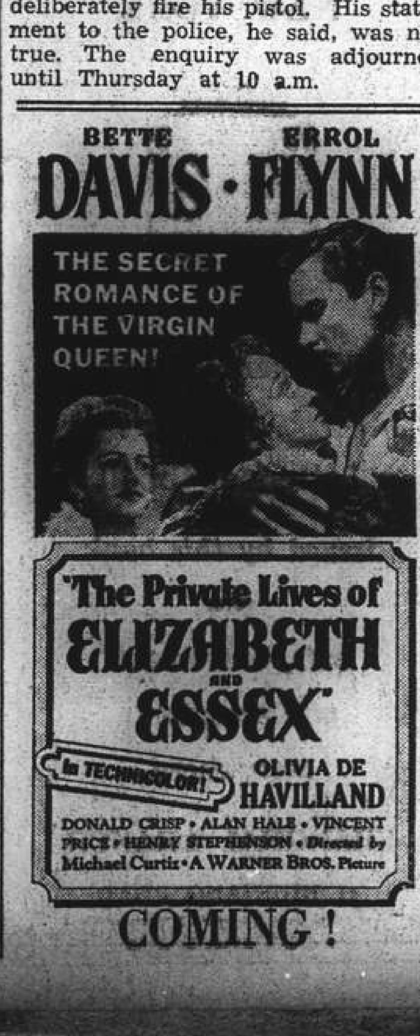
Meanwhile, eleven more persons were admitted to refugee camps yesterday, bringing the total number of beggars thus accommodated since last Wednesday, to well over 30. Brig. Morris would also be pleased to receive old garments, preferably of the padded variety as it has been found that most of the beggars are not dressed warmly enough to cope with the icy weather.

An up-to-date list of donations received will be published tomorrow.

Strike in Textile Mill Ends

Ending a three-day strike, 1,400 workers of the China Textile Co., Pootoo Road, resumed work yesterday while negotiations between their delegates and the management for an increased rice allowance will be continued.

As will be recalled, Police summoned to evict the workers on Saturday morning were met by flying bobbins, although a little later they succeeded in forcing the strikers to leave the plant.



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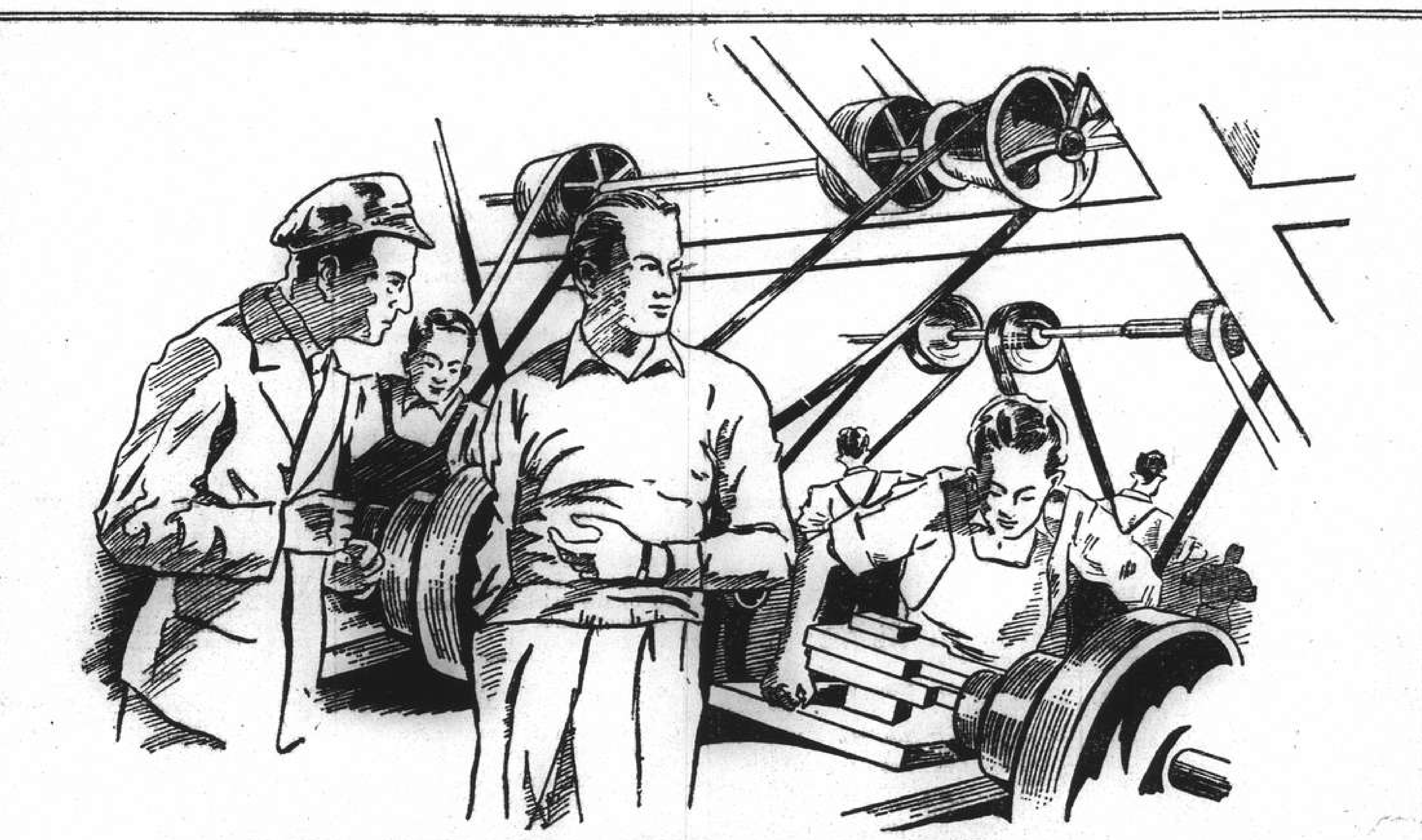

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Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1940

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4⅝d.		$ 51.89
U.S. $100 @ 7 11/16		$1,300.81
Francs	340	$100
Yen	32⅝	100
Guilders	14¼	100
Rupees	25⅝	100
Pesos	15⅝	100
Hongkong	$30⅝	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4¾d.	$ 50.52
£1 in Stg. notes @ 5¼	$ 45.71
U.S. $100 @ 7⅞	$1,269.84
London—demand, $1=	4¾d.
4 months' sight credits	4 25/32d.
4 months' sight docts	4 27/32d.
6 months' sight credits	4 13/16d.
6 months' sight docts	4⅞d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S.$7⅞
4 months' sight credits	U.S.$7 15/16
4 months' sight docts	U.S.$8 1/16

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ......4 23/32d. U.S. $7 25/32
Hongkong/London 1/2 23/32

WEI WAH DISCOUNT

Wei Wah $1,024.50 ..........C.N.$1,000.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders ......Buying	14⅞
Java Guilders .... „	14¾
Netherlands Guilders ......Selling	14½
Java Guilders .... „	14⅝

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100=$1,269.841 £1=$50.525
Selling U.S.$100=$1,300.813 £1=$51.891

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.45¼=$1 Belgas 23.50=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 1.54=$1 Swiss Frs. 34¼=$1
Tourist Lire 1.70 ....$1

Hua Hsing Commercial Bank

Sterling	Selling Rate	@ 6d	per H.H.$	1
„	Buying	„ @ 6 1/32	„ H.H.$	1
U.S.$	Selling	„ @ 10	„	H.H.$100
„	Buying	„ @ 10¼	„	H.H.$100

LOCAL DOLLAR (FAPI)

Selling Rate @ 127 per H.H.$100
Buying „ @ 132 „ H.H.$100

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	4 23/32	4 23/32
U.S. G.$	7 25/32	7¾
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING				BUYING
Cash				Jan.
£ T.T.	4 23/32	4 m/s. l.c.		4 27/32
G.$ T.T.	7¾	4 m/s. l.c.		7⅞
Fcs. T.T.	341	4 m/s.		356
Rs. T.T.	25⅝	15 d/s.		26⅝

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	21 1/16	21¾
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	56.06	—
Bombay offtake 50 bars.		

NEW YORK/LONDON CROSS RATES

New York closing Rate for Cash	3.99⅞
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash	3.99½
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash	4.00

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 23/32 sterling and 7¾ U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with sellers for near at 4 23/32 sterling and 7 25/32 U.S.$ and fluctuations were within narrow limits. The highest rates for near were 4 23/32 sterling and 7 13/16 U.S.$ and there was quite an active market owing to end of the month clearances and change-overs. At the close the market had returned to the opening rates with sellers at:—

4 23/32	sterling	7 25/32	U.S.$	Jan.
4¾	„	7 13/16	„	Feb.
4 13/16	„	7 15/16	„	Mar.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Jan. 29.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	79½	London	1/5 31/32
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	27⅛	„ (sellers)	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	83¾	„ (buyers)	1/6 1/16
		Japan	
		2 mths	
[illegible]		„ (sellers)	80⅝
		„ (buyers)	79¼

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Shanghai	4⅞d
Paris	176.50	Bombay	1/6 1/16
Berlin	—	Hongkong	1/2 23/32
Amsterdam	7.53	Singapore	2/4 3/16
Brussels	23.70	Yokohama	1/2 3/32
Madrid	39.00	„ (buying)	1/2⅛
Milan	78.00	Bangkok	1/10 3/16
Berne	17.85	Prague	—

*—Unofficial rates.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Denmark	19.32½
Spain	9.95	Montreal	87.750
Holland		Brazil	5.10
(53.09F)	53.09½	Japan	23.49
Paris		Shanghai	7.90
(2.26⅝ F)	2.26¾	Hungary	17.60
Brussels		Rumania	0.65
(16.97½F)	16.97	Yugo Slavia	2.35
Italy	5.05	Greece	0.73¾
S'zerland	22.42	Bulgaria	Unq.
Sweden	23.82½	Finland	1.85
Norway	22.72½		
London		(3.99⅞ Fx)	3.99⅞
„ Demand			3.99⅝
Buenos Aires Paper			Unq.
Buenos Aires Paper. market rate			22.90
Montreal on London			4.55⅝

—Reuter.

F—Final rate.
x—Offered.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Jan. 29.

Fine Bank Bills.	3 months	1 3/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 7/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		1%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B
	0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B
	0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Jan. 29.

Awaiting the results of the Balkan Entente Conference, the Bourse opened calm and inactive today. Some sessions regained earlier losses during the session and most issues ended firm.—Havas.

Silver Quotations

London, Jan. 30.

Silver prices dropped heavily today, with "spot" losing ¾d., and "forward" 11/16d., compared with yesterday's levels.

	Jan. 29	Jan. 30
London spot	21 13/16d.	21 1/16d.
„ forward	21¾d.	20 15/16d.
„ gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Cross Rates

Yesterday's Closing

London/New York U.S.$4.0250 59.627d.
New York/London 3.99⅞ 60.02d.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

In a rather spectacular market many issues reached new high points on very large volume, and it is perhaps easiest to give the closing rates of the more heavily traded issues rather than to single out each one for individual mention:—

Trusts	16.30	Wharves	314.00
Loans	18.40	Wheelock	80.00
Yangtsze	13.70	Metals	22.75
Lands	14.80	Lumber	52.50
New Engines	28.00	Ewo	35.50

The quickest rises were in Wharves and Telephones, while China Finance after a long period of inactivity changed hands in thousands of shares up to the closing rate of 2.40.

Official Averages

1940 High	Low		Today's Averages	Change
261.15	105.32	General	246.55	+0.04
395.68	95.55	Rubbers	368.40	—0.33

Total 454,495 shares, 730 bonds.

Business Done

S. M. C. 5% Debs. 1934			5000 75.00
S'hai Land 6% Tael Debs. 1931			2000 *92.00
Power 5½% Debs.			66000 87.00
Central Prop.			300 17.50
†500 17.60	200 17.70		
I. I. Trust	1000 *15.60	1500 16.00	
1000 16.10	1500 *16.20	1500 16.20	
1500 16.10	500 *16.10	2000 16.00	
1000 *16.00	500 *16.90	3500 16.00	
500 *15.90	1000 16.00	500 *15.90	
1000 *16.00	3500 16.00		
†5500 16.10	2500 16.20	1500 16.30	
S'hai Loan	1000 18.40	1500 18.50	
500 *18.50	1000 18.40	500 18.30	
500 *18.40	1500 18.40		
†1000 *18.40	1500 18.40	1000 *18.50	
Yangtsze Finance 500 13.60		500 *13.60	
2000 13.50	3500 13.60	2000 13.80	
1000 13.90	1500 14.00	3000 13.90	
500 *13.90	2500 13.70	1500 13.80	
2500 13.70	2500 *13.80	3500 12.80	
†1500 13.80	2500 *13.80		
Int. Assurance		3500 13.00	
†500 13.00			
China Realty	1500 9.50	2000 *9.50	
1000 9.45	5000 9.50	500 9.45	
3000 9.50			
†1500 9.55	1500 9.80	500 *9.80	
1000 9.70	2500 9.65	500 9.70	
2000 9.65			
S'hai Land	500 *14.70	500 14.70	
1000 *14.80	500 14.70	500 *14.60	
3500 14.70	1000 14.80		
†3500 14.80	500 *14.80	1000 *14.90	
New Eng. (Ord) 100 27.50		100 27.75	
100 28.50	1400 28.00	500 28.25	
700 28.00	200 28.25	100 28.00	
100 *28.25	100 28.25	100 *28.00	
2200 28.25	2600 28.50	700 *28.50	
100 28.25	200 *28.50	200 28.00	
2900 28.25	2900 28.00	300 28.25	
100 28.00	900 28.25	100 *28.25	
100 28.00			
†300 *28.25	500 28.25	200 28.50	
1500 28.25	300 *28.25	5600 28.00	
600 *28.00			
S'hai Dock		100 275.00	
†50‡273.00	250*275.00		
S. & H. Wharf	175 300.00	50*300.00	
200*§300.00			
†25*315.00	25 314.00		
Wheelock		1300 75.50	
†100 77.00	100 *77.00	100 78.00	
100 79.00	600 80.00	1000 *80.00	
100 *81.00	800 81.00	800 80.00	
700 *80.00	100 79.50	1000 *80.00	
C. G. Omnibus	100 *25.00	400 24.75	
100 *24.75	100 *25.00	200 25.00	
†100 *24.75	100 25.00	700 24.75	
100 *24.75			
S'hai Gas		500 14.60	
Telephone	1100 24.00	700 24.50	
100 24.25	800 24.50	100 *24.50	
†1000 24.75	200 *24.75	400 25.00	
Tram (Bearer) £1		500 45.50	
†300 45.50	100 45.75		
Metal	100 22.25	900 22.00	
300 *22.25	300 22.25	100 22.50	
300 22.75	100 *22.50	1000 22.75	
200 23.00	200 22.75	100 23.00	
6000 22.75	1400 *22.75		
†200 *22.75	200 *23.00	4300 23.00	
500 *22.75	100 22.75		
Kaiping		400 50.50	
†200 51.00			
Lumber	100 52.00	100 51.50	
400 52.00	700 52.50	200 *52.50	
200 53.00	200 52.50		
†400 52.00	200 52.50		
Exploration	1500 *10.90	2500 10.90	
2500 11.00	1500 11.10	2500 *11.20	
3000 11.20	500 *11.30	4000 11.20	
500 11.10			
†500 *11.20	1500 11.10	500 *11.20	
3000 11.20	2500 11.30	2000 11.20	
Power (Pref)		30 129.00	
†120 129.00			
Ewo Mills (Ord) 1800 34.75		400 *34.75	
300 34.50	700 34.75	5000 35.00	
100 *35.00			
†2800 35.25	200 35.50	200 *35.25	
200 35.25	200 35.50		
Anglo Dutch		300 23.50	
†600 23.50			
Anglo Java	100 *45.75	100 45.50	
400 *45.75	1000 45.50	300 *45.75	
400 45.50	1600 45.75		
†2900 45.50			
Bute	1500 *10.60	500 10.80	
1000 10.70			
†500 *10.80	1000 10.80		
Chemor	1000 3.75	6000 3.80	
1000 3.77½			
†1000 3.77½	1000 3.80		
Cheng	1000 1.36	2000 1.34	
†8000 1.36			
Consolidated	1500 10.20	1000 10.30	
†2000 10.20	500 10.30		
Java Consolidated		3000 6.10	
†3000 6.10	3000 6.15		
Kroewoek	4000 3.55	2000 3.52½	
†2000 3.52½	4000 3.50		
Langkat	21000 30.75	400 *30.75	
1500 31.00	100 30.75		
†800 30.75	500 *30.75	500 30.50	
100 *30.75	100 *30.50		
Padang	1000 3.50	2000 3.56	
4000 3.60			
†2000 3.60			
Repah	1000 2.00	2000 2.02½	
1000 2.05			
†1000 2.02½			
Rubber Trust	2000 10.50	1500 10.60	
†1000 10.60	500 *10.60		
Semambu	1000 2.20	1000 2.25	
†2000 2.22½			
Senawang	1000 *2.60	1000 2.6[illegible]	
3000 2.62½	2000 2.65		
†2000 *2.65	13000 2.65		
Kelantan	1000 *1.46	1000 1.44	
2000 1.46	5000 1.44		
†1000 1.44	3000 1.46	500 *1.4[illegible]	
2000 1.48			
Sungala		500 10.00	
†1000 10.00	1000 9.90		
Sungei Duri		500 73.00	
†200 *73.00			
Tanah Merah	1000 *4.60	1000 *4.55	
1000 4.60			
†1000 4.60	1000 4.65		
Tebong	5000 2.25	1000 *2.25	
1000 2.27½			
†3000 2.27½			
Ziangbe	100 33.25	500 33.50	
†100 *33.50	100 33.75		
China Finance	5000 1.46	5000 1.50	
2000 1.58	3000 1.62	2000 1.68	
6000 1.70	4000 1.80	1000 1.84	
3000 1.86	2000 1.88	2000 1.90	
5000 1.92	5000 1.96	8000 2.00	
2000 2.10			
†4000 2.20	2000 2.25	4000 2.30	
2000 2.40	5000 2.35	1000 2.30	
1000 2.40	1000 2.30	1000 2.40	
Cathay Land		1000 5.00	
†1000 5.00			
S. W. W. Fittings		2672 2.50	

ODD LOTS

Batu Anam		770 2.22½
Ewo Mills (Ord)		70 34.25
New Eng. (Ord)	57 28.00	17 27.75
China Realty	200 9.55	100 9.55
375 9.40		
†200 9.60	200 9.55	63 *9.75
65 *9.755		
Consolidated		400 10.40
Ayer Tawah		88 8.30
S'hai Land	200 14.80	100 14.80
200 14.50	200 *14.80	
†20 14.90	200 14.70	
Exploration	80 11.10	100 11.10
†100 11.20		
Yangtsze Finance		200 14.00
†100 13.60		
Chemor		500 2.70
Senawang		500*2.67½
China Finance	200 *2.00	500 *1.96
Kaiping		39 49.75
Kota		500 7.20
Kelantan		†250 1.48
S'hai Loan		†100 18.50
Metal		†50 *23.25
S'hai Cotton		†50 170.00
Dominion		†2000 13.80
Kota		†1000 7.10
I. I. Trust		†100 16.30

*—Direct Business.
‡—X.D.
§—Outport Business.
†—Afternoon Business.

Bourse Changes Hours

Paris, Jan. 30.

The Bourse will open at noon henceforth and close at 2 p.m., it was announced last night. The money market has been opening at 11.30 a.m. and closing at 1.30 p.m.—United Press.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 29.

Dull and featureless conditions prevailed on the New York Stock Exchange today. Most operators were content to mark time, with the speculative element almost entirely absent, and this was reflected in the listless movements of prices.

However, while the general trend was downward, utilities presented a comparatively steady front. Apart from the decline in steel operations, business news continued to be good.

The turnover today amounted to 490,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	147.05	145.86	146.26	—0.25
20 Rails	30.86	30.63	30.69	—0.06
15 Utilties	25.09	24.87	24.95	+0.07
40 Bonds	—	—	89.28	—0.05
11 Commod.	—	—	58.20	—1.20

	Jan. 27	29		Jan. 27	29
Adams Exp	7¼	7¼	Jones & L	*56½	*56½
Alg Lud	21	21	Kennecott	35½	35½
Alld Stores	8½	8½	Lak F & M	4½	4
Allis Chal	37	37	Libbey O F	49	49
Alum Ld	104½	102½	Lockheed	30½	30½
Amer Can	115¾	116½	Loews	35½	35½
Am Cyan B	34½	34	Mack Trks	*24½	24½
Am For Pr	1½	1½	Martin G	38½	38½
„ $7 pfd	23	23¾	McK & R	*18½	*18½
Am G & E	37½	37	Monsanto	*105½	106½
Am Loco	*19	19½	Mont Ward	51½	51½
Am Metal	23½	23½	Nat City B	*29½	*29
Am Radtr	9½	9½	Nat Avian	13½	13
Am R Mill	15½	15½	Nat Dairy	16½	16½
Am Smltg	*48½	48½	Nat Distrs	*23½	23½
Am Sug R	19½	19½	Nat Gyp	11	11
Am T & T.	170½	170½	Nat Lead	20	19½
Am Tob B	89	88½	Nat P & Lt	8	8½
Am Wtrwks	10½	10½	Nat Steel	*65½	65½
Anaconda	27	26½	Nat Supply	9½	9
Atchison	22½	23½	N Y Cent	16½	16½
Auburn	2½	2½	Niag Hud	5½	5½
Bald Loco	15½	15	N A Avian	25½	25½
B & Ohio	5½	5½	N Am Co	21½	22½
Barber	14½	*14½	N Pacific	8½	8½
Barns Oil	12½	12½	O I Glass	64½	*63½
Bendix	30½	30½	Pac G & E	*33½	33½
Beth Steel	73½	73½	Pac Lightg	49	48½
Bliss	*13½	13½	Packard	3½	3½
Boeing	24½	23½	Paramount	7½	7½
Borg War	24	24½	Penn R R	21½	21½
Brid Brass	11½	11½	Phelps D	35½	35½
Briggs	19½	19½	P & R Coal	*0½	*0½
Bkn-M Tr	14½	14½	Phil Pet	40½	40½
„ $6 pfd	51	51½	Pitt C & I	*7½	*7½
Budd Mfg	5½	5½	P S of N J	40½	40½
Can Pacific	5	4¾	Pullman	27½	27½
Case JI	71½	71	Pure Oil	8½	8½
Celanese	27½	27½	Radio	5½	5½
Chase N B	*34½	*34½	Reading	15½	*15½
Ches & O	39½	39½	„ 1st pfd	*25½	*25
Chrysler	83½	82½	Rem Arms	*4½	*4½
Clim Mlyb	37½	37½	Rep Avian	6½	6½
Colts	*80	*80	Rep Steel	19½	19½
Col G & E	6½	6½	Rev C & B	12½	12
„ A pfd	*88½	89½	Rey Tob B	40½	40½
Com Cred	47½	47½	Richfield	7½	7½
Com & Sth	1½	1½	Safeway	47½	47½
Cons Edis	31½	31½	Schenley	12½	12½
Cons Oil	7½	7½	Sears Roeb	83½	83½
Cont Can	42½	42½	Shell U Oil	*11½	11½
Cont Oil	24½	24½	Soc-Vac	11½	11½
Copwld St	*16	16½	Sthrn Pac	13	13½
Corn Prod	64	64½	Sthrn Rly	30½	31½
Curtis Wr	10½	10½	Sperry	45½	45½
„ A	29	29½	Spicer	*30½	*30½
Deere & Co	20½	20½	Std Brands	7	7
Dist Cpn S	19½	19½	Std G & E	1½	1½
Douglas	83½	83	Std Oil C	*25	24½
Du Pont	180½	181	Std O of NJ	44	43½
E P Lead	10½	10½	Stone & W	10½	10½
Eaton Mfg	32½	32½	Studebaker	9½	9½
Elc A Lte	*35½	35½	Swift Int	*51½	32
Elec B & S	7½	7½	Technicolor	14½	15
„ $5 pfd	*57	57½	Tex Cpn	43½	42½
„ $6 pfd	66½	67	Tex Gulf	*34½	34½
E P & Lt	30½	30½	Tim D A	22½	22½
Fisk Rub	14½	14	Transamer	5½	5½
Flintkote	19½	19½	Tw Cent F	12½	12½
Gen Am Tr	*53	53	„ pfd	25	*24
Gen Elec	38½	38½	Un Carbide	80½	80½
Gen Motor	52½	52½	Un Pacific	*94	93½
Gen Rly	16½	17½	Un Aircraft	47½	47½
Gen T & R	21½	21½	Un Air L	15½	15½
Glidden	18	18	Un Copn	2½	2½
Goodrich	*17½	17	„ $3 pfd	39½	39½
„ $5 pfd	*63½	63½	Un Gas	1½	1½
Goodyear	22½	22½	Un G Imp	14½	14½
Gt N I Ore	13½	12½	U S Ind Al	22½	22½
Gt N Rly	24½	24½	U S Rubber	36	35
Gt W Sugar	27½	27½	„ 8% pfd	111½	111½
Greyhound	16½	16½	U S Steel	57½	57½
Her Pow	89	89	Vanadium	30½	30
Homestake	59½	59½	Walworth	*5½	5½
Int Harv	55½	56½	War Br Pic	3½	3½
Int Nickel	36½	36½	West Elec	*107½	108½
Int T & T	*4	*4	Woodward	*22½	22½
Johns Man	*72½	72½			

BONDS

Amer. & For.	62¼	62
Baltimore & Ohio	B 25¼	25¼
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941 ..	21⅝	20⅞
Brazil (U.S. of) 6½% 1957	16⅞	16½
Cities Serv.	85⅝	85
Erie R.R. 6s 1967	15⅛	15
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s 1955	43½	43½
New England Gas & Elec.	64⅞	64¼
Republic of Colombia 6s	30⅛	30½
Republic of Colombia (1928)	30⅜	30½
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	46¼	46
Stand. Gas & Elec.	65	61½

*—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices ruled narrowly irregular today in a session of light trading, which conformed to the same pattern established last week. Steels held well, despite the six per cent. decline in operations; motors were narrowly irregular; coppers held steady; utilities ruled firm; railroads, aviations and electrical equipments presented a mixed appearance; rubbers were easier; and, oils declined to around the year's lows. Second grade shares continued in leadership, featuring Loft Inc., which reached a new high. Favourable factors today included, better than seasonal gains in carloadings and a high rate of automobile buying.

Stocks: Again ruled unusually dull and narrow, as traders continue to keep to the sidelines awaiting news or developments.

STATISTICS

	Week Commencing 29/1	22/1	Change
Steel Mill Activity (Amer. Iron & Steel Inst.'s estimate) (per cent. of capacity)	77.3	82.2	—4.9

Cotton: Influenced largely by the weakness abroad and further foreign liquidation. However, some price fixing appeared on the scale-down. The various farm proposals emanating from Washington are causing uncertainty.

Wheat: The easiness was due to milder weather, the dullness of exports and a small demand. Government loan stocks previously reported at 167,000,000 bushels have been corrected to 152,000,000 bushels. We believe that the further trend of values is largely dependent on the volume of Canadian exports and the disposition of United States Loan stocks. The visible decrease has been placed at 3,057,000 bushels.

Corn: The liquidation was due to the inactivity of foreign demand, milder weather and the easiness of wheat. The Government has announced that it will not sell loan stocks below cost, plus charges. The visible decrease is estimated at 2,632,000 bushels.

Rubber: The early decline was in sympathy with the easiness of primaries. Factory demand continues to be dull, despite the lower levels. Arrivals in February are expected to material exceed previous indications.

Hides: The firmer undertone is believed to be an indication of the improved technical position of the market. The trade is awaiting developments and also information in regard to the previous forecast of French leather purchases.

Cocoa: There was heavy liquidation of March and large volume switching of March forward. Some authorities are forecasting a materially further widening of difference. However, there was good trade accumulation on the scale-down. It is believed that manufacturers will maintain the current volume of holdings of spot and futures, due to the uncertainty as to the future availability of primary supplies.

Sugar No. 4: Conditions were stagnant.

By Courtesy of S. E. Levy & Co.

Stocks are holding their own as liquidation ebbs. The rise in aircrafts discounts doubled earning power for the 1940 basis, as the orders on hand, to say nothing of contemplated Allied 'plane buying, are double the industry's present $700,000,000 backlog.

The volume of new orders in capital and consumer goods and in the retail and wholesale trade are up 30 per cent. since the year-end, and, together with foreign buying, could nullify fears of a possible depression.

The January let-down in productive capacity is less than forecast. Bethlehem Steel's peacetime orders show that the need of new business is not acute and much short of the Spring level.

The famine of new financing is the most tangible bearish factor, but the political conjecture colours every investment and business move: as one wag puts it, "the Republicans are now worrying over the possibility of a fourth term."

However, Wall Street was wrong in its guess over the effects of the war and may be wrong on political theorising. Anyway, the persistence of fear psychology is an insurance against over-extension that precedes a major industrial or financial liquidation.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 29.

After a hesitant start, British gilt-edged securities and home rails again improved on the London Stock Exchange today, but industrials ruled irregular.—Reuter.

	Jan. 26	29
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£98 7/16	98⅝

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan 1907	53½	52½
Japan 6% Stg. Loan 1924	57	56
	Osaka, Jan. 30.	
Kogo 5%		Y.105.82

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	14/-	14/-
Armstrong Stevens	6/-	6/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	38/1½	38/4½
Austin Motors, ord.	16/3	16/6
Bristol Aeroplane	15/-	14/10½
British American Tob.	101/3	102/6
Cable & W., new form	61½	62
Cammell Laird, ord.	8/-	8/-
Courtaulds	35/9	35/9
Distillers	67/3	68/-
Dunlop Rubber	29/7½	29/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/4½	76/4½
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	77/3	77/3
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	14/3	14/4½
Imp. Chem. Indus.	31/-	31/-
Imp. Tobacco	121/3	120/-*
Leyland Motors	74/4½	75/-
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	52/1½	52/1½
Pressed Steel, com.	15/-	15/1½
Rolls-Royce	86/3	85/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	12/6	12/6
Tate & Lyle	54/-	54/6
Turner & Newall	65/10½	66/1½
United Steel	22/3	22/4½
Vickers, ord.	18/9	18/9
Woolworths	60/9	61/-

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	24/3	24/3
Rubber Pltn. Inv. Trust	33/3	33/3

MINES

Burma Corp.	10/-	9/9
Commonwealth Min.	Unq.	Unq.
Marsman Invests.	15/9	15/9
Randfontein Ests.	36/10½	35/7½
Sub-Nigel	197/6	196/3
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.
Western Holdings	11/6	11/6

OILS

Anglo-Iranian	58/9	57/6
Burmah	65/-	64/4½
Mexican Eagle	6/3	6/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	78/9	78/1½

*—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£60	60
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	50	50
4½% Anglo-French Loan	50	50
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	30	30
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	42	42
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	12	12
5% Honan Rly., 1905	16	16
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	19	19
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	17	17
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	20	20
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	16	16
5% „ „ G.	16	16
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	16	16
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	16	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	16	16
S'hai Elec. Construction	15/-	15/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	12	12
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	26½	26½
Chartd Bank of I. A. & C.	8⅞	8⅞
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	87	87
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	89	89
Mercantile Bank of India	11¾	11¾
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/-	18/-
Chosen Corp.	6/6	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	1/-	1/3
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/3	21/3

Egyptian Budget Deficiency

Government Decides to Increase Duties on Tea Coffee, Benzine, Beer

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Cairo, Jan. 30.

Owing to a deficit in the budget, the Government has decided to increase the duty on tea by amounts varying from £1.10.0 to £8.10.0 (Egyptian currency) per 100 kilogrammes.

Excise duties on the following products will also be raised: Benzine 12 per cent.; coffee, 50 per cent.; sugar, 20 per cent.; bottled beers, 300 per cent.

The Egyptian Government, according to the newspaper Mokattam, requires seven million Egyptian pounds to balance the budget.

Two millions are to be taken from reserve, and the remainder is expected to be produced by increased taxation, including re-imposition of the cotton tax and increase of the income tax.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 29.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing		p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.195		.195	S
Antamok	.16		.165	
Baguio Gold	.235	S	.235	S
Batong Buhay	.014	S	.014	S
Benguet Consolidated	5.50 *	S	—	
Big Wedge	.215	S	.215	S
Coco Grove	.14		.14	
Consolidated Mines	.003		.003	
Demonstration	.125	S	.125	S
East Mindanao	.10		.10	
I. X. L.	.39	S	.39	S
Itogon	.265	S	.27	S
Mambulao Consolidated.	.010		.010	
Masbate Consolidated	.11	S	.11	S
Mine Operations	.105		.105	
North Camarines	.11		.115	
Paracale Gumaus	.225		.225	
San Mauricio	.83	S	.83	S
Surigao Consolidated	.18	S	.18	S
Suyoc	.13		.13	
Syndicate Investment	.025		.025	
United Paracale	.305	S	.31	S
Mindanao Matherlode	.095		.0975	S

*—Over counter.
S—Sales.
Turnover for the Morning: 172,000 Pesos.
Shares Index. (Morning Session) 77.13—Reuter.

Food Ministry Sole Tea Importer

Supplies Said Adequate Contracts with Empire Producers Being Made

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 30.

The Food Ministry has issued an order revoking the Tea (Provisional Prices) Order which was made at the outbreak of the war with the object of preventing speculation, while arrangements for the control of tea supplies were being completed.

The Ministry is now making contracts with Empire producers, and teas may be passed through trade channels for distribution to consumers.

Some variation, from time to time, in supplies of particular brands must be expected, it is stated, but prices will be kept under close review.

Sole Importer

Mr. A. T. Lennox-Boyd, Under-Secretary of State for the Ministry of Food, told a press conference today that the Food Ministry would be the sole importer of tea.

The revocation of the order will not lead to any rise in price, he said, and the Ministry does not anticipate any marked increase in prices.

Supplies

Supplies of tea, it is reported, are adequate and the Ministry had ample powers to check any undue rise in price.

Replying to questions put to him in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Lennox-Boyd said a considerable range of brands of tea would be available. There would be no standard blend in addition to existing blends, he added, and there was no suggestion of a national tea.—Reuter.

U. S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 29.

The cotton market early declined on speculative selling, liquidation and lower cables. Later, prices further eased on New Orleans selling and the weakness of spots. Finally, the market closed weak on stop-loss selling, with quotations ranging from 13 to 17 points down.

Prices in the rubber market today eased on unencouraging cables, small factory interest, liquidation and the absence of speculative interest. At the close, quotations ranged from 8 to 15 points down.

Wheat futures in Chicago today progressively moved lower on liquidation, weak Winnipeg advices, an unfavourable cash demand and a bearish world wheat situation. At the final bell, losses of 2⅛ to 2¼ cents were recorded.—Reuter.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Mar.	10.61-61 —16		
May	10.30-31 —17		
July	9.96-97 —15		
July (N.C.)	10.16 N —14	Mar.	18.49-50 —08
Oct. (N.C.)	9.35-35 —13	May	18.00-00 —12
		July	17.85-85 —15
Dec. (N.C.)	9.27 N —15		
Jan. (N.C.)	9.23 N —13		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Mar.	1.90-91 —1 B/A	Mar.	1.59-60 unc. B/A
May	1.96-97 unc. B/A	May	1.56-56½ +1½ B/A
Sept.	2.04-06 —1 B/A	Sept.	1.54-55 +½ B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	96⅞-87 —2⅛	May	56½-56½ —¾
July	94¼-94⅜ —2¼		

Winnipeg Wheat		New York Silk No. 1	
May	84¼-84¼ —1¼	Mar	2.85½-86 —21½

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 29.

Both Liverpool cotton futures and rubber moved lower, while metal prices were inclined to harden.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 11¾ —⅛; sellers 11⅞ —1/16; Feb. del. buyers 11 13/16 —1/16; sellers 11 15/16 —1/16.

Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures: Jan. 7.74 Nom. —25; Mar. 7.72 Nom. —25; May 7.70 Nom. —25; July 7.63 Nom. —25. Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 Contract: Jan. 9.77 —16; Mar. 9.85 —16; May 10.00 —17; July 10.06 —17.

METALS

London Metals: Tin, Stan. cash buyers £233½ +2½; 3 mths del. £233¾ +2¼; Tin, Straits, £263¾ +2¼. Antimony, China Regulus, c.i.f., per ton £68 to £72, nominal, unch.

New York Metals: Antimony, Chinese, carload lots (25 tons) f.o.b. New York, duty paid, 16½ cents per lb., unch. Tin, Straits, c.i.f., New York (25 ton lots) 45½ cents per lb., unch. Copper, Electrolytic, first hand, 11⅝ cents per lb., unch.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Changshu rice per shih (176 lb.)	$40.00
Sungkiang rice „	40.00
Saigon rice „	40.50
Cotton yarn 20's, Double Horse .... per bale	$748.00
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	175.00
Wheat per picul (50 kilos)	$20.00
Flour, local per bag (49lb.)	10.00
Flour, export per bag (49lb.)	12.00
Raw silk, Steamfil, Ex. B 13/15	$5,600
Raw silk, Steamfil, 13/15 83%	—
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22	5,000
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%	5,100 Nom.

Reich Controls Trade In Motor Cars

Copenhagen, Jan. 30.

Germany has prohibited all free trading in motor vehicles from February 1, reports the Berlin correspondent of the "National Tidende." Anyone wishing to buy a car after the date mentioned must obtain a special permit.—Reuter.

U.S. Steel Mill Operations

New York, Jan. 29.

The American Iron and Steel Institute, in its weekly report, places steel mill activity for the week commencing January 29 at 77.3 per cent. of capacity.

This represents a loss of 4.9 per cent from the previous week but a gain of 24.5 per cent over the corresponding period of last year.—Reuter.

New York Market Irregular

New York, Jan. 29.

Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed irregular yesterday after a dull session with light trading following last week's pattern. Wall Street anticipated further business shrinkage this week, but as yet the experts have not seen fit to make predictions for any long period. So far most of the recessions in industry have been normal seasonal declines. Auto production is less than the seasonal decline and car loadings are more than the seasonal decline.

If business continues to recede many think the Stock Market may descend with it or even decline faster as the market discounts the future. Conversely, some commentators point out that the market failed to discount fully during the sharp recovery of the final quarter in 1939.

Steels were steady today despite a 6 per cent. decline in operations. Motors were irregular with prices ranging over a narrow margin. Coppers were steady, while utilities were firm. Rails, aviations, electrical equipments were mixed and rubbers eased. Oils hit the lowest levels of the year. —United Press.

Returns of Federal Reserve System

New York, Jan. 29.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended January 24 respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveal a decrease on total loans amounting to $43,000,000 compared with the previous week but an increase of $255,000,000 compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Investments snow an increase of $14,000,000 over last week and of $1,500,000,000 over the corresponding period of last year.

Total loans during the period under review amounted to $8,536,000,000 and investments $14,647,000,000.—Reuter.

Japan Shipping Firms Boost Freight Rates

Kobe, Jan. 30.

Freight rates for all goods bound for North America, with the exception of raw silk, will be increased 15 per cent., representatives of Japanese shipping firms decided here today.

This will bring the increase of freight rates since the start of the European war to 35 per cent. The new hike will become effective Feb. 22.

Freight rates for raw silk will remain at the present level in compliance with requests by various Japanese silk interests.—Domei.

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HEE MARU ..... Feb. 24

Orient-New York Line
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OKITU MARU ..... Feb. 2
TANGO MARU ..... Feb. 7

Orient-South America Line
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SUWA MARU ..... Jan. 31

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For Calcutta
ARUGUN MARU ..... Feb. 12

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BANGKOK MARU .... Feb. 7

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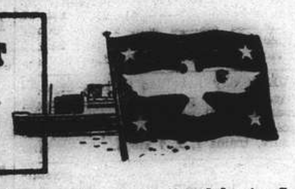

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VESSELS ARRIVING TO-DAY

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening

From MANILA: Marchen Maersk, with mail, due Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is mitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From LISBON			From SINGAPORE		
Torrens	10/12	1/2	Himalaya	23/1	7/2
From GENOA			**From SOERABAYA**		
C. B'camano	26/1	22/2	Tjitjalengka	19/1	5/2
Marin Sanudo	29/12	25/2	**From MANILA**		
From TRIESTE			Tjitjalengka	28/1	5/2
Himalaya	21/12	7/2	P. Taft		8/2
Monte Piana	20/1	10/3	**From HONGKONG**		
			See "China Ports" below		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK			From SEATTLE		
Mokihana	—	10/2	Collingsworth	13/1	8/2
Sophocles	24/12	14/2	**From PORTLAND**		
Ivaran	—	17/2	Agra	23/12	2/2
Sorholt	30/12	21/2	Canton	27/1	20/2
Laura Maersk	10/1	22/2	**From HONOLULU**		
N. Maersk	24/1	11/3	Asama M.	9/1	10/2
S. Navigator	—	12/3	Tatuta M.	23/1	24/2
From SAVANNAH			**From NAGASAKI**		
N. Maersk	29/1	12/3	Shanghai M.	31/1	1/2
From LOS ANGELES			**From KEELUNG**		
Asama M.	1/1	10/2	Tyosa M.	31/1	2/2
Sophocles	16/1	14/2			
Sorholt	18/1	21/2			
L. Maersk	31/1	22/2			
Tatuta M.	15/1	24/2			

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			From MAURITIUS		
Ruys	17/1	24/2	Ruys	27/1	24/2

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN			From HONGKONG		
Dairen M.	30/1	1/2	Tjitjalengka	31/1	5/2

VESSELS LEAVING

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D. K. K.

SHANGHAI-TSINGTAO-DAIREN LINE

	Arrival	Departure
ss. TSINGTAO MARU	Jan. 30	Feb. 1 at 9 a.m.
ss. DAIREN MARU	Feb. 1	Feb. 3 at 9 a.m.
ss. HOTEN MARU	Feb. 4	Feb. 6 at 9 a.m.
ss. TSINGTAO MARU	Feb. 7	Feb. 9 at 9 a.m.
ss. DAIREN MARU	Feb. 10	Feb. 12 at 9 a.m.
ss. HOTEN MARU	Feb. 13	Feb. 15 at 9 a.m.

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ss. HAKKA MARU ..... Feb. 8

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ms. TAI PING YANG loads Shanghai .. .. February 14

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Husimi Maru	29/2	Sakito Maru	2/2
		Kansai Maru	8/2
For OSLO		Lexa Maersk	18/2
Tai Ping Yang	14/2	Ivaran	19/2
		Torrens	21/2
For GENOA		A. Maersk	2/3
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For BOMBAY		Asama Maru	17/2
Okitu Maru	2/2	Canton	20/2
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Tango Maru	7/2	Tatuta Maru	2/3
Toba Maru	12/2	P. Coolidge	12/3
		For SEATTLE	
For CAPETOWN		Collingsworth	10/2
Ruys	26/2	**For YOKOHAMA**	
		Suwa Maru	31/1
For JAVA		**For KOBE**	
Tjibadak	1/2	Taiyo Maru	1/2
Tjitjalengka	8/2	Kasima Maru	17/2
For HONGKONG		**For NAGASAKI**	
Asama Maru	11/2	Shanghai Maru	2/2
		Shanghai Maru	6/2
For MANILA		**For DAIREN**	
A. Maersk	31/1	Tsingtao Maru	1/2
Sophocles	15/2	Dairen Maru	3/2
P. Garfield	19/2	Hoten Maru	6/2
Laura Maersk	26/2	Tsingtao Maru	9/2
P. Coolidge	28/2	Dairen Maru	12/2
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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Wednesday, January 31, 1940 (23rd day of 12th moon)	SICCAWEI			
	Jan. 29		Jan. 30	
	16.00	21.00	4.00	9.00
Barometer inches	30.42	30.45	30.40	30.39
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.09	+0.03	—0.02	—0.08
at 32 F. (,, ,, 12 hrs.)	0.00	—0.02	—0.02	—0.06
Wind (direction)	NE	NE.N	NNE	NNE
,, (miles per hour)	15.6	16.2	12.4	13.1
Temperature (Fahr.)	37.°2	35.°2	34.°2	34.°5
Humidity %	86	88	89	91
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall inches	0.07	0.03	0.03	8.002

Siccawei Abridged Report January 29	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.44	+0.07	30.30
Temp. Min. 34.°7 Max. 41.°9	35.°6	+2.°4	37.°3
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	1.92	0.18	1.78

Time and Tide	31/1	1/2	2/2	3/2	4/2
Sun rises at Shanghai ..	6.48	6.47	6.47	6.46	6.45
Sun sets at Shanghai ..	17.27	17.28	17.29	17.30	17.31
Moon rises at Shanghai ..	—	0.29	1.28	2.26	3.20
Moon sets at Shanghai ..	10.55	11.39	12.25	13.14	14.06
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 7	15.04	16.00	17.15	5.50	7.05
Ebb makes Shai. 6 to 7	8.00	9.02	10.10	11.32	12.41
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 7	17.02	18.05	6.46	8.13	9.37
Ht above LLW. (feet) ..	7.60	7.50	7.40	7.50	8.00

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

WEDNESDAY, January 31.		Reg.	Ord.
Tinghai and Shenkiamen via Tinghai	x	9.30	10.00
Hongkong		12.00	12.30
Tsingtao Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin		12.30	13.00
Aust. N.Z. Indo-China and Straits	A	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton		15.30	16.00
Indo-China (Z) via Haiphong	B	—	—
Hongkong and Kwangchowwan		19.30	20.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00
Japan via Kobe		19.30	20.00
Amoy and Hongkong		19.30	20.00
H'kong Canton Aust. N.Z. Indo-China	c	19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, February 1.			
Tsingtao and Dairen		*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao	x	9.30	10.00
U.S.A. Canada Europe via Pacific	D	9.00	11.00
Aust. N.Z. Indo-China Java Ports ..	EX	11.30	12.00
Amoy and Hongkong		11.30	12.00
Hongkong		13.30	14.00
Nantung		14.30	15.00
Aust. N.Z. Indo-China and Manila	x	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	x	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00
Hongkong		19.30	20.00
FRIDAY, February 2.			
Japan and Korea via Nagasaki		*20.00	7.15
U.S.S.R. and Europe via Siberia		*20.00	8.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	x	9.30	10.00
Amoy Swatow and Canton	x	9.30	10.00
Tsingtao	x	9.30	10.00
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	x	9.30	10.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Straits, closes at 12.00 on 31st.
B Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 31st.
C Parcel mail for S.S., F.M.S., Ceylon, Africa, Egypt, and E-Soudan, closes at 16.00 on 31st.
D Parcel mail for Central America and Canal Zone, closes at 16.00 on 31st.
E Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 16.00 on 31st.
Next parcel mail for U.S.A. closes on Feb. 8, 1940.
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Imperial Airways Service per steamer on February 1, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due London on February 14.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on February 1, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on February 13.
Air France per steamer on February 1, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Hongkong.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service: daily at 8 p.m.

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Hwaining Kiukiang and Hankow per Shanghai-Hankow Air Line daily at 10.30 p.m.
Ningsia, Shensi, Szechuen, Yunnan Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west to Hongkong for the Hongkong-Chungking plane.
Peiping, Tientsin, Tsinan, Tatung, Kalgan, Shanhaikwan, Tsingtao, Tungshan, Shihkiachwang, Chengte, Kaifeng, Taiyuan and Yuncheng by the planes of the Chung Hua Air Transport Co. daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei office north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Remarks: For Europe via Siberia:—Mails for Europe via Siberia are despatched on every Tuesday and Friday per trains via Nanking and Tientsin to connect with the Trans-Siberian trains.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Pacific, Feb. 1, due L'don Mar. 12.
Per steamer via Suez, Feb. 6, due L'don Mar. 13.
Per steamer via Pacific, Feb. 8, due L'don Mar. 15.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Triton	Japan	Dodwell
P. J. Goulandris	Yokohama	Dodwell
Bonho	Hsinkong	Dong Shing
H. Tseangtah	Ningpo	T.C.C.
Romolo	Liuho Point	V. Chieri
Heiei M. 6	—	T.K.K.
Avemaria	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Hwaping	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Tsingtao M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Taiyo M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Liesel	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Lafayette	U.S.A.	M.B.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Taiko M. 18	Jap.	T.K.K.
Tjibadak	Neth.	J.C.J.L.
Hungyun M.	Jap.	Chu Foong
Chingning M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Karsten	Ger.	Chin Dah
Corona	Nor.	K.M.A.

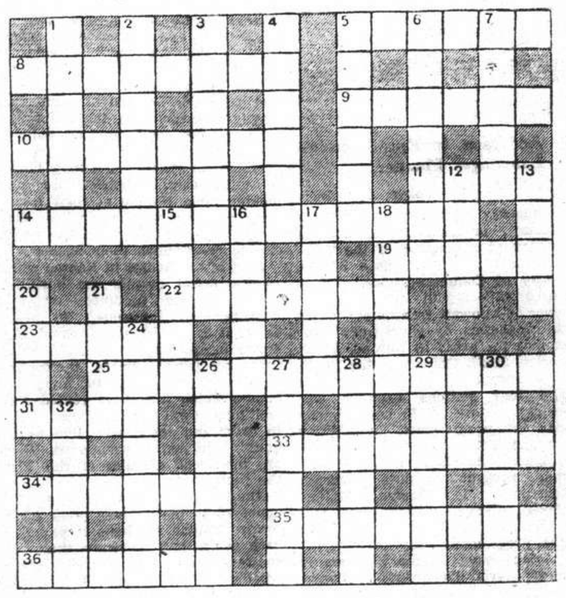
Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Pigeon 6	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

A WOMAN who has received a legacy wants to stay where she is—in a Public Assistance Institution where she has lived for six years. She is Mrs. Annie Whitehouse, 65 year old Chesterfield widow, and she has been left £2,000. She has now suggested that she should become a paying guest. She says it is so homely at the Institution and the staff is so kind. She and her husband used to live in a caravan at Pilsey, a mining village near Chesterfield and friends have failed to persuade her to find a new home there.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 102

(By Arrangement with the "Daily Telegraph.")



ACROSS

5 Pamper, though half fish
8 Company is life to him, and living alone may support his finish
9 Wherein one may play a lifeless role
10 True of the garment one of the crew made for himself?
11 A solution of this may smack of the sea
14 In between the slaughter does he look for someone to play poker for high stakes? (two words)
19 Not very fine
22 There's mud in this island
23 A marked shop-window feature
25 At what age does a woman cease to invite one to such a celebration? (two words)
31 Part of the issue today
33 When the van goes it is hired out again, but on the subject
34 Wherein the film stars twinkle
35 Well protected from cold rain
36 None of the big guns would send this mademoiselle in physical training

DOWN

1 Mediterranean islands
2 He might manage a barque, of course (two words)
3 A sort of flower that curtailed comes from a flower
4 Further expansion of a growing concern
5 This may have to be put into the eye several times daily
6 It was just the same before the film people went East and shot it! (two words)
7 Having no wide significance
12 Where it's 19 across it isn't this
13 Not for the diversion of a nursery-man, these
15 Golden morning over central Siberia
16 We have read that the native trader often puts his first part to all of it
17 If you want to hide it keep your mouth shut
18 He has not the money, perhaps, to ride in himself curtailed
20 Mixing soup for work
21 Not a pleasant jest
24 Strong place, but some doctors hate the sound of it
26 In war time all food supplies ultimately pass through this
27 The scientist who made a noise about the war muddle
28 A little paler than 15 down
29 What youth sometimes asks for, but seldom takes
30 What can preserve almost anything? (two words)
32 Loose

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION:—ACROSS: 1 Punkah wallah; 8 Rat trap; 9 New club; 11 Nairobi; 12 Stamina; 13 Hades; 14 Apprehend; 16 Old master; 19 Throb; 21 Tangler; 23 Over-act; 24 Rhubarb; 25 Ant-hill; 26 Below the belt. DOWN: 1 Puttied; 2 Nervous; 3 Applicant; 4 Wings; 5 Low fare; 6 All ripe; 7 Trench mortar; 10 Brandy bottle; 15 Parsonage; 17 Denture; 18 Agitato; 19 Trestle; 20 Realist; 22 Rebut.

German, Russian Troops Move Towards Rumanian Borders

Presence of Nazis in Red Galicia Confirmed; Reichswehr Units Go Near Hungarian Frontier

Bucharest, Jan. 29.

ALARMING troop movements along Rumania's Soviet and German borders were reported from all sides today and Bucharest political quarters saw in the imminent Balkan Entente conference at Belgrade little hope of changing the political situation in this part of Europe. In the north, German units have been concentrated in large numbers in districts close to the Rumanian border, rousing anxiety among the population of the Rumanian frontier areas.

The number of the German soldiers has roused suspicions here that they are not destined to supervise solely the repatriation of Germans from Poland or control transports of Rumanian goods to Germany via Galicia. Meanwhile, travellers arriving here from Kiev, capital of Soviet Ukraine, report concentrations of Red forces at the Rumanian frontier, even along the stretch where the Dniester forms the border. They declared that the Soviet railway system in the east is becoming daily more disorganized as military needs place more and more strain on the railway organization.

The disturbed situation is due mainly to the urgent need for the Soviet command to shift round the units stationed in Poland since September. As a result of inactivity, boredom and resultant lack of discipline, recently, there has been a growing number of desertions, they pointed out.

From Cernauti, hamlet on the Polish-Rumanian border, indignant Soviet denials are refuted by reliable reports coming through from eastern Galicia which reaffirm today that German officers and troops have entered that Soviet-occupied region of Poland.

These reports from Galicia were bolstered by despatches which appeared today in the "Basler Nazional Zeitung," influential Swiss newspaper.

Germans Go to Hungarian Border

From Galicia, reports pointed out today that trains carrying soldiers in field-grey German uniforms and officers of the Reichswehr were seen heading eastward and toward the Hungarian border. Soldiers and officers in German uniforms have been seen by many observers at several places in Galicia. In Lwow they were seen both in the barracks and at the Georges Hotel.

Confirmation that there was some activity going on which the authorities wished to keep under cover, was seen in Soviet measures forbidding civilians access to certain roads and railways. Later, German military transports were seen on the move along these routes.

"If it may not be said with certainty that very large contingents of German troops have crossed the demarcation line between Russia and Germany in Poland," observers declared, "it nevertheless is certain that Nazis in the guise of technicians, instructors and other semi-military professions, have settled down in areas formerly occupied by Soviet troops."

They pointed out that Soviet guards along the Galician-Rumanian and Galician-Hungarian frontiers have been strengthened greatly of late. Yet a large portion of the Soviet Army of occupation has left inland Galicia and in several towns the local militia has been disarmed.

A Soviet spokesman tried to explain these events with the statement: "Enemies of the people succeeded in creating trouble which our Communist militia repressed too severely. Forty people were shot down in Zbaraz after an attempt at an uprising. That is why we have disarmed the militia!"—Havas.

S.M.C. Advocate Issues 1939 Report

118,779 Cases Prosecuted In Chinese Courts During Year; Crime Cases Swell

The annual report of the Municipal Advocate reveals the startling fact a total number of 118,779 cases were prosecuted in the Shanghai First Special Area District Court and the Kiangsu High Court, Second Branch during 1939. This number shows a big increase over the 102,951 cases prosecuted in 1938. Out of the total number of cases prosecuted during 1939, 97,801 were Administrative Cases and 20,978 were Criminal Cases.

In the total number of Administrative Cases brought to trial 61,962 persons failed to appear and their bail was confiscated, while 199 cases were withdrawn, as compared with 61,575 cases in which bail was confiscated and 164 cases withdrawn in 1938. During 1939 35,620 Administrative Cases were prosecuted to completion, out of which number 35,618 persons were convicted and two acquitted. A total of 1,030 Criminal Cases were withdrawn and 19,948 were prosecuted to completion, out of which number 18,303 persons were convicted and 1,645 acquitted. The total number of Administrative and Criminal Cases prosecuted amounted to 55,568 as compared with 40,160 cases in 1938. Convictions amounted to 53,921 while 1,647 persons were acquitted as compared with 38,544 persons convicted and 1,616 persons acquitted during 1938.

In addition there were 1,550 Private Criminal Prosecutions as compared with 1,066 in 1938. The Public Health and Works Departments instituted 2,752 prosecutions as compared with 2,828 in 1938, while 2,517 prosecutions were instituted by the Traffic Department as compared with 1,942 in 1938.

The Police Court bore the brunt of the judicial work in 1939 handling 95,792 cases, as compared with 85,408 cases in 1938. In the Summary Court 5,609 cases were tried in "A" Division and 5,873 cases were tried in "B" Division, as compared with 4,714 in "A" Division and 3,466 in "D" Division in 1938. In the District Court 2,844 cases were tried in No. 1 Division, 2,704 in No. 2 Division, and 2,680 in No. 3 Division, as compared with 3,451 in No. 1 Division, 2,775 in No. 2 Division, and 1,735 in No. 3 Division in 1938. The percentage of convicitons was 91.7 per cent. in Criminal Cases and 99.9 per cent. in Administrative Cases.

During the year the S.M.C. appealed in 18 cases while six cases on appeal were pending at the end of 1938, making a total of 24 cases. Defendants appealed in 1,274 cases and 205 cases on appeal were pending at the end of 1938, making a total of 1,479 cases. Of these, 83 were found not guilty while a total of 25 sentences were increased. Two civil actions instituted against the S.M.C. were defended by the Municipal Advocate.

Japanese to Extend Broadcasts

Addresses in Fresh Foreign Languages Planned

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

Broadening of Japan's foreign broadcast programme was decided yesterday at a meeting of the Telecommunications Committee of the Ministry of Communications.

Three stations will augment the present 50-kilowatt transmitter which now broadcasts by short-wave programmes for areas in Europe, South America, South China and the South Seas Islands eight hours a day.

The four stations together will broadcast a total of 40 hours a day under the programmes. In addition to Japanese, English, German, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese and Dutch programmes now broadcast, programmes in Arabic, Italian, Malayan, Siamese and Russian will be given.

The programmes may be received by short-wave radio listeners in Turkey, Syria, Iraq, Arabia, Persia, Egypt, Afghanistan, West India, Far Eastern Russia, various parts of China, Mexico, Panama, Columbia, Venezuela, Hawaii, New Zealand and New Guinea.

Expansion of the short-wave programmes was decided upon in view of the increase in radio propaganda by foreign nations since the outbreak of the European war.—Domei.

Tokyo Budget Shows Big Increase

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

The budget of the Municipality of Tokyo for 1940-41 will total Y.386,872,000, according to estimates compiled yesterday.

This figure represents an increase of Y.18,427,000 compared with the current fiscal year. New appropriations include Y.10,000,000 for various kinds of home-front measures relating to the current conflict in China; Y.4,000,000 for anti-aircraft precautions; Y.3,000,000 for public welfare; Y.1,700,000 for anti-epidemic facilities, and Y.1,800,000 for the expansion of the production of commodities.—Domei.

Gambling Houses Look For New Sites

Nantao May Be Utilized If Clean-Up Eventuates

Managers of gambling houses in the western district are reported to have held a meeting to discuss the carrying out of an order requiring them to re-establish their business in the newly re-opened Nantao in a wholesale way. Although official confirmation is lacking, the Chinese press indicates that such a step is being taken as the amusement supervisor in the "badlands" is said to have received an order to this effect.

It is stated that in view of the fact that the Settlement authorities may co-operate with the authorities concerned to stamp out all evils in the "badlands" those in charge of gambling and opium smoking houses in the western district are now looking upon Nantao as their haven. They are said to be trying their utmost to rent houses in the native city to re-establish their business.

Most of the houses in Nantao which remain intact despite the hostilities are said to be occupied by men with "special influence." In many cases, it is stated, people paid high prices for renting such houses sometimes not from owners themselves. Contracted tenants cannot move into houses which they have rented from legitimate owners who have failed to drive out those who live in the houses without his permission. There are numerous disputes of this kind, the reports say.

Numerous new advertisements have appeared in the Chinese press asking former Nantao residents to pay their back rental and to renew their rent contracts. It is not clearly stated whether this will mean that former tenants have also to pay back rents due after the outbreak of hostilities. Demands from old property owners are said to be very vicious and when the time-limit for renewing rent contracts is over owners let their houses at higher prices to those engaged in "illegal business."

A.D.B. Discusses New China Regime

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

Progress of plans for the establishment in the near future of a new central government in China was discussed at a meeting of Asia Development Board committee members and secretaries in the Premier's official residence this afternoon.

Reports on developments at the recent Tsingtao conference were heard.

Present at the meeting were Lieut.-Gen. Heisuke Yanagawa, Governor of the board; Major-Gen. Teiichi Suzuki, Director of the Bureau of Political Affairs; Mr. Chinrokuro Hidaka, Director of the Bureau of Economic Affairs, and Dr. Susume Matsumura, Director of the Bureau of Cultural Affairs.—Domei.

Enemy Trade Act Explained

General Licence Permits Retail Business in Food Or Other Necessities

Copies of the Trading with the Enemy Act, 1939; King's Regulations No. 5, 1939, made under the authority of Sections 4 (2) and 6 of the China (Emergency) Order-in-Council 1939; and a General Licence permitting certain transactions with "enemies" which otherwise might be illegal under the Act, Signed by Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, H. M. Ambassador to China, on January 15, were exhibited at H. M. Consulate-General in Shanghai yesterday.

The text of the General Licence follows:—

Whereas under the provisions of the Trading with the Enemy Act, 1939, The China (Emergency) Order in Council, 1939, and The Trading with the Enemy Regulations, 1939, it is an offence for British subjects in China as defined by The China Order in Council, 1925, to do certain things specified in the said Act of Parliament as modified by the said Regulations and whereas it is also provided under the Act of Parliament, Order in Council and King's Regulations aforesaid that a British subject shall not be deemed to have committed an offence by reason only that he has done anything under an authority given generally or specially by His Majesty's Ambassador in China now therefore I, His Britannic Majesty's Ambassador in China hereby announce as follows:—

(1) In this licence the word "enemy" has the meaning assigned to it by the Trading with the Enemy Act, 1939, and the words "British subject" have the meaning assigned to them by The China Order in Council, 1925, and, where the context admits, include corporation.

(2) This licence applies to British subjects in China as defined by The China Order in Council, 1925.

Retail Business

(3) Any British subjects carrying on a retail business is permitted to supply for cash (which term does not exclude credit not exceeding one calendar month) to an enemy articles of clothing, drugs, foodstuffs, wines, spirits, waters and other provisions and articles of ordinary household use or consumption and the necessities and accompaniments of daily life, including motor spirit. Any British subject is permitted to purchase for cask such articles from a retail business carried on by an enemy.

(4) Any British subject at the date of this licence occupying any land, building, flat, apartments for rooms belonging to an enemy is permitted to occupy and pay rent for the same to such enemy, during the unexpired term of any existing lease or during any existing yearly or other similar tenancy.

(5) Any British subject being the lessor of any land, building, flat, apartments or rooms, which at the date of this licence is or are in the occupation of an enemy, is permitted to allow the continuance of such occupation during the unexpired term of any existing lease or any existing yearly or other similar tenancy.

(6) Any British subject supplying gas, water, electric current, or telephonic communication, is permitted to supply the same to an enemy together with the fittings necessary therefor.

(7) Any British Municipality is permitted to perform its accustomed services to or for the benefit of an enemy.

(8) Any British subject employed by a non-British person or corporation (not being an enemy), or by any municipality or by any government (not being an enemy), or by a department or undertaking of any municipality or any such government, is permitted to have such dealings with enemies as may arise in the normal course of his employment.

Tokyo to Control All Transportation

New Ordinance Explained To Cabinet Members

Tokyo, Jan. 30.

A tentative text of an imperial ordinance on regulations governing control of land and sea transportation was approved by the Cabinet today.

The plan was prepared by the National Mobilization Inquiry Committee last December. It was explained to the Cabinet today by Mr. Tsuruhei Matsuno, Minister of Railways, and Mr. Masanori Katsu, Minister of Communications.

It was decided also that a special account bill for seamen's insurance should be presented to the Diet.

The Cabinet will hold consultations on a measure for revision of parliamentary procedure. Promotions of Government officials, a question passed on by the previous Cabinet, and the Government's attitude as a whole in Diet sessions will be threshed out by the Cabinet in future meetings.—Domei.

French Communist Loses Citizenship

Paris, Jan. 29.

Andre Marty, former Communist leader in France, believed now to have fled to Moscow, was deprived of his French nationality by a special Presidential decree published today in the "Official Gazette."—Havas.

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WANTED Chinese agent, with bicycle preferred. Apply 119 Nanking Road, 37C, third floor, from 12-2. -1777

MALE or female stenographer, preferably experienced, for export firm. State qualifications, nationality, etc., in own handwriting. Address Box 878, NCDN. -1776

AMERICAN stenographer required by American firm. Credentials. Box 887, NCDN. 10555

WANTED, expert typist, well-experienced in English commercial correspondence, Portuguese or Chinese, for part time work from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Apply Post Office Box 956. 10556

EXPERIENCED Chinese, connected with feather exporters, after office hours. Box 854, NCDN. -1726

WANTED, energetic salesman to push wines, liquors. Excellent prospects for right man. Box 868, NCDN. -1764

PROOFREADER (lady) wanted for newspaper, night work. Address stating experience, nationality, etc. Box 870, NCDN. 10537

STENO-TYPIST, Chinese, wanted. Applications to be addressed to Box 871, NCDN. -1769

BRITISH lady-stenographer required by British firm. Address Box 875, NCDN. 10548

REQUIRED by American firm, bookkeeper-secretary, American or British, gentleman or lady. Essential applicant be able to take dictation at times. Replies, qualifications and salary expected to be sent to Box 876, NCDN. 10546

VACANCIES exist in The Shanghai Business College for students to be trained in Pitman's shorthand, touch typewriting, commercial correspondence, conversation, bookkeeping and accountancy. Successes without parallel. Many qualified have been placed in suitable progressive positions. Call or write for particulars. 320 Szechuen Road. Telephone 17733. 10473

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DOCTOR'S office fully-equipped, Bubbling Well, available to share, morning and afternoon hours. Telephone 32179. -1775

TO LET, Ste. Anne Building, 25 Rue du Consulat, office room. Apply 34, third floor. -1780

TO LET from February 1, one large room with closed verandah, suitable for studio or office, location Bund. Apply to 269 Kiangse Road, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. -1768

HALF of well-furnished office room to share, including telephone, typist, office-boy, from February 1. Please call on Room 217C Ezra Building, 150 Kiukiang Road, 9-9.15, 4-4.15. -1670

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Lost

LOST: one Chinese Maritime Customs deposit receipt No. 3280 for $120, dated August 25, 1939, covering one motor sampan from Shanghai to Tientsin per ss. Taksang, sailed 25/8/39, is hereby declared null and void. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Agents, Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd. 10528

U.S.A. dollar saving account passbook No. 6039, issued by the Chase Bank, Shanghai, has been lost and hereby declared nullified. -1779

LOST on January 29, a gold locket with a rim of white enamel and diamond in centre with a miniature in the inside. Liberal reward offered. Please communicate with 1920 Avenue Joffre, Apartment 208, telephone 72289. 10564

LOST Customs Re-Export Passes No. N.Y. 50465, covering 66 packages of duck feathers from Wuhu, Chinese Native Boat No. 1652 and No. N.Y. 50464, covering 471 packages of duck feathers from Wuhu, Chinese Native Boat No. 1830, hereby declared null and void. Commercial Express & Storage. 10477

Personal

KING Albert: Sorry missed you Monday 4.30 p.m. account of rain, appreciate receiving your further appointment. -1796

MISS LUX: Thanks for your letter, will write fully. Kindly give address. Twentyfive. -1796

HEALTHY foreign boy, two years old, is offered for adoption to well-to-do kind family. 899/7 Avenue Joffre, room 7, telephone 71846. -1747

For Sale— Miscellaneous

STAMPS for sale, latest price-list of Chinese stamps sent for 10 cents. Inspection welcome. Chen Kee Stamp Service. 397 Szechuen Road. -1527

EVERY day novelties in best crystalware and porcelain, mocca cups, silverware, all kinds of presents. H. P. Occasion, 726 Avenue Joffre, Route des Soeurs, trams 1, 2, 7 stops. -1793

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SELLING cheap: fur-coats, $95 upwards; capes, $38. Mending, remodelling, lowest price. "Lolo", 248 Route Vallon. -1785

FOR SALE. Bentley's First Edition complete phrase code $120. Address Box 879, NCDN. -1810

FIRST-CLASS vacuum-cleaner Electrolux, 220 volt, $90. Weinmann, 2 Nanking Road, room 248. (Sassoon House). -1792

KOREAN apples arriving weekly from Chinnampo, first-grade $11.50 and second-grade $9 per case of 33 lb. net. Sample-box containing 18 apples $3. Obtainable at Peninsula Trading Company, authorized dealer in China, 705 Liza Building, telephone 18350 and/or 1007 Avenue Joffre, Telephone 31649. -1912

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SECONDHAND furniture store. Buying and selling, new and secondhand furniture, household effects, cut-glass, carpets, etc. Feiner, 306 Rue Bourgeat, Telephone 73597. -19

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BATTERIES for portable receivers, $10 per set. Installation free. Atlas Radio Co., 357 Szechuen Road, Central Arcade, telephone 16651. -1767

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